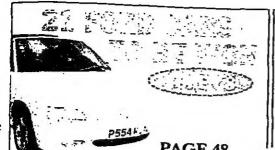


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Fears of EMU collapse hit markets

France seeks time to think again on euro

By Charles Bremner in Luxembourg and Alasdair Murray

FRANCE created new doubts over monetary union yesterday after openly clashing with Germany about rules governing how a single European currency should be run.

The Socialist Government's refusal to accept the agreed "stability pact" imposing budgetary disciplines on countries that adopt the euro created jitters on stock markets across the continent and raised fresh concerns for the European summit in Amsterdam on Monday.

Dominique Strauss-Kahn. the Finance Minister, insisted that France was "absolutely determined" to go ahead with the single currency in 1999 and said he was simply seeking time for reflection. But his Government's refusal to endorse the stability pact until after it had put its programme to Parliament on Friday week led to suspicions that the entire single currency was on

the verge of collapse. All the main stock markets. apart from London, suffered sharp falls, and the mark rose against the frame dollar and pound, regaining some of the ground it had lost amid fears that Europe was heading for a "soft" single currency.

M Strauss-Kahn's stance also raised the stakes for the summit in Amsterdam, where a new treaty on Europe's future is due to be approved. In return for a compromise on the stability pact, France is expected to seek strong language in the treaty's employment chapter and curbs on the primacy of the future European central bank. Germany,

6 There will be no Blair equivalent of the Thatcher handbag 🤊

-Peter Riddell, page 12

the driving force behind the stability pact last December, is resisting pressure for a clause promising EU funds to stimu-

Dutch officials preparing to host the summit were appalled at the uncertainty created by France. One diplomat said: "We always thought the British would be the problem. We never dreamed the French would bring the misery."

He spoke after M Strauss-Kahn had told finance ministers: "We are not seeking to renegotiate the stability pact. but we cannot approve it today." The Government wanted time to review the pact and to find ways of "accompanying it" with undertakings to co-ordinate economic policies to promote growth. "In no country does the central bank operate in a political vacuum,"

The suspension of the accord concluded by President Chirac, Helmut Kohl, John Major and the other 12 leaders last December reopens the painful quarrel between German demands for a monetary union based on continuous

fiscal austerity and other states' desire for more political leeway. Most other ministers voiced understanding for the need of Lionel Jospin's government to review the commit-ments it inherited, but they were adamant that the stability pact could not be

renegotiated.
-What has been agreed upon and discussed for two years can no longer be put up for negotiation." Theo Waigel of Germany said. He added that there would be no change in Germany's policy of requiring strict adherence to the Maastricht rules - but his authority to preach on the subject has been undermined by his attempt to top up Bonn's budget by revaluing Germany's gold reserves.

Diplomats suggested last night, however, that French demands would be appeased by adding more about the coordination of economic policies to the stability pact. That, along with the new en ment chapter in the Union Treaty, would enable France to say that it had fulfilled its promise to create and "economic government" to accompany the monetary administration of the single currency by the European Central

Jacques Santer, the European Commission President, will set out for Paris and other capitals tomorrow in an attempt to produce a package before the summit, but diplomats were not optimistic that he could succeed, given France's promised silence un-

She also defended her own

approach, saying that it had

done much to raise public

awareness of the work of

voluntary organisations and

helped them to raise funds.



Peter Lilley and wife Gail greet would-be supporters at his party yesterday

Tory hopefuls woo backers with canapés and crisps

BY ANDREW PIERCE AND JAMES LANDALI

THE Tory leadership contenders launched their final pitch for support last night over champagne and canapes.
William Hague, who has

pledged to reduce the average age of the Tory activist from 64 to 32, chose the Carlton Club in St James's, a bastion of old Toryism. The average age of the membership is closer to 70 than 30.

Women MPs were not amused as they are admitted only as associate members. Margaret Thatcher, whose support Mr Hague tried and failed to secure, is still the only exception. "They can do anything but vote in the manage ment of the club's affairs," said one bewhiskered official who was wearing a hearing aid.

Mr Hague, flanked by his

fiancee Ffion Jenkins, entertained guests, who included a clutch of new MPs, under glittering chandeliers behind oak panelled closed doors of the coffee room. But the real excitement was

outside. A group of Streatham Young Conservatives, dressed in traditional Mexican bandii costume, picketed the en-trance. They wielded posters "Portillo proclaiming: Presidente'

Peter Lilley, by contrast. opened up the gardens of the St Stephen's Club in Queen Anne's Gate, close to the Home Office, which was once the fieldom of his arch rival, Michael Howard, who was entertaining around the Mr Lilley, stung by reports

that his was to be a downmarket cheese-and-wine affair, ordered in supplies of Cockburn and Campbell champagne at £22 a bottle. His wife, Gail, was unimpressed by it all. "I am a



It'sh my fifth cocktail party and now I can't even remember the candidates' names"

hohemian artist. My career may even flourish. I have already had an expression of interest in comissions for red boxes even though I am a stilllife artist, which you should not confuse for the current state of the Tory Party," she

One of the most upmarket affairs was at No 8 Lord North Street, once a favourité den of intrigue of Winston Churchill. which is the Michael Howard campaign headquarters.

First to arrive was Lord Hanson, the Tory-supporting businessman, who paid for Mr Howard's party and drew up in his maroon Rolls-Royce with his wife Geraldine.

Inside some 50 MPs and peers drank of Laurent-Perrier champagne which was being chilled in ice in wastepaper bins which is where his rivals expect his leadership bid to end. Food was at a premium. Plain Pringle crisps and peanuts. It was clear the house was only on loan from Continued on page 2, col 5

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Shake-up plan for welfare state

The Social Security Secretary and her deputy have drawn up a ten-year programme for reform of the welfare state that includes proposals to replace cash benefits with other forms of help. Harriet Harman and Frank Field have devised a programme to curb the £90 billion social security bill... ...Page 2

Minister seeks to end gazumping

Nigel Griffiths, the Minister for Consumer Affairs, is to attempt to stop gazumping across Britain by introducing the Scottish system of house

This would stop potential buyers being left with legal and surveyors' bills when a higher offer is accepted by a house seller.....



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Rantzen 'sacrifices weak to her ego'

By Alexandra Frean, social affairs correspondent

ESTHER RANTZEN was accused yesterday of sacrificing the interests of weak and vulnerable people to the greater glory of her ego. Paul Watson, producer of

such fly-on-the-wall documentaries as The Home, The Factory and The Dinner Party, said Ms Rantzen exploited the politics of pity in her television programmes about people trying to overcome disability, hardship or tragedy. The programmes were saccharine, maudlin and full of ersatz emotion, but neglected the real needs of the people involved.

Ms Rantzen retaliated with an attack on Mr Watson's documentary technique, say-ing that it could lure the subjects of his programmes into a false sense of security so that they allowed things to appear on camera which, with hindsight, they would have preferred to keep private.



Watson and Rantzen: warned charities about each other

other's activities. Mr Watson, a former BBC producer who now works for Granada Television, said Ms Rantzen's programmes could prove harmful. "I think that what

Esther is doing takes the rough edges off the damaging The two producers clashed at a conference about the problems that people have. The people she features on her media and the voluntary secprogrammes go back into the



community in the same state as they came on, and the viewer merely turns his face to the wall. I go into things in greater depth and challenge the everyday views that people have on life. I hope that people go to bed after watching my programmes arguing about what they have seen.

"At the end of her proammes you have an image of Esther in your mind, not of the person she was interview ing. I do not like the cult of the personality where people parade their miseries and anxieties to the glory of people like Esther who are on mega-bucks." He added that voluntary organisations needed to "wise up" to prevent broad-casters and other media

people exploiting them. Mr Watson also criticised programmes such as BBC Television's Children's Hospital, which shows real events and

diplomat stabbed FROM RICHARD OWEN

British

BRITAIN'S chargé d'affaires in Tirana was stabbed in the stomach yesterday after what is thought to have been a quarrel with his Albanian

Geoffrey Briggs, 33. a bachelor, is recovering from emergency surgery after being flown to an Italian hospital. Arrangements are being made to bring him home.

Mr Briggs's post in Tirana was Second Secretary, Economic. He had been acting charge d'affaires while the ambassador, Andrew Tesoriere took annual leave.

Foreign Office staff said the incident was *purely domestic" and made it clear diplomats were allowed relationships with locals, unless there Continued on page 2. col5 | was a security risk.

Redgrave unearths lost Tennessee Williams play

BY DALYA ALBERGE ARTS CORRESPONDENT

AN UNKNOWN play by Tennessee Williams is to be given its world premiere by the Royal National Theatre after being discovered by the actress Vanessa Redgrave. Not About Nightingales, a harrowing story set in an American prison, had been hidden among documents owned by the American playwright's estate. Trevor Nunn, the National The-atre's artistic director, said: "I'm

astonished that it's never been done or read or performed. It's completely unknown - among the first two or three things he wrote. It has literally never seen the light of day."

Its neglect has nothing to do with the quality of writing. Mr Nunn, who will direct the play next year, believes its homosexual content, though not a major part of the narrative, may have deterred publishers and theatre managers from touching it at a time when the subject was taboo. Williams - a homosexual who once

that never heals" - created in the play a raw passion and suffering reminiscent of his later classics, The Glass Menagerie, A Streetcar Named De-sire and Cat on a Hot Tin Roof. Not About Nightingales, written in

described the condition as "a wound

1939 when Williams was 28, is set in a prison perched on an island. "It is tough and abrasive". Mr Nunn said, " It's a protest against the way the justice system incarcerates with no education as part of its programme of its concept. It is a protest about a liture of vengeance Part of the reason that the play had remained hidden, it seems, is that the playwright's estate had changed hands since his death in 1983 - from the late Maria St Just, Williams's close friend, to Casarotto Ramsey, agents for the University of the South in Tennessee. Miss Redgrave had stumbled across a reference to the play in Lyle Leverich's 1995 Williams biography which mentioned that he had

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Cook gives Major the nod in Labour's body politic

speeches, explaining what they mean. It could be brief, a fraction of the original. In their different ways yester-day. Robin Cook's head and Dennis Skinner's tongue helped provide it.

At Home Office Questions. Mr Skinner offered a run-ning translation of Jack Straw's replies. Hugh Bayley (Lab. City of York), impatient for the promised review of the voting system, asked the new Home Secretary what he growled Skinner.

Sir Patrick Cormack (C. Staffs S) asked if Tony Blair was "still opposed" to proportional representation. Straw mit," growled Skinner. He should operate subtitles to the Commons show. They give the game away.

As did Robin Cook's head, in the debate on Europe which followed. His first Commons speech as Foreign Secretary was shrewd, poised and clever. John Major's last speech as Leader of the

pressive in sweep and sage in tone. But it was body language which caught attention as no argument can. Robin Cook kept nodding as John

Major spoke.
At first Mr Cook took no notice. Mr Major began by trotting routinely through the obligatory party metaphor, calling Cook's frontbench colleagues "starry-eyed" and accusing the Government of carrying "a white flag" to the Amsterdam summit. Cook, who had just sat down, was not listening. Huddling with



colleagues over a scrawled note handed to him (we could not see from whom), he

looked bothered. Then Major moved from neralisation to detail. Where other speakers swan confidently through large themes but stumble as they hit the small print, the former

Prime Minister sounds un-

convinced by his own rheto-

ric but gathers force as his speech reaches the nitty-gritty. A relaxed Major spoke with command about the problems with "qualified ma-

jority voting".
It was then I noticed Robin Cook. He had for some time been listening with growing attentiveness. Now he was

A Labour backbencher,

meaning to help his front bench, interrupted Major to protest that qualified majority voting in Europe could help Britain override smaller nations. Major replied that small nations are not the problem the problem was that others might seek to override Britain. We needed to be able to block unwelcome measures. Again (and to my surprise) Cook was

Major turned to the single European currency. "Cer-tainly we should not enter in 1999." Cook nodded. Perhaps

Donald Swansea E) also intended to help his Foreign Secretary when he interrupted Major to accuse him of advocating a British veto on other European nations going ahead with a single currency, even without Britain. What partners did, he suggested, was none of our business. Vehemently, Major replied that it was indeed our business because there could be "real and damaging effects to this country if a single currency adopted by others went

European problem so far "a

Again, Cook was nodding. By now Major felt he had sounded a sufficient note of alarm about Europe's direction, and it was time to accentuate the positive. He had never been hostile to Europe, he insisted. Sir Edward Heath had been right to take Britain into the Community. The European Union was "a force for good." Robin Cook had stopped

Harman looks to replace cash in benefit reforms

By JILL SHERMAN CHIEF POLITICAL

HARRIET HARMAN and Frank Field have drawn up a 10-year programme to reform the welfare state, including proposals to replace cash benefits with other forms of

The Social Security Secre tary and her deputy, Mr Field. have put together an ambitious agenda to curb the £90 billion social security bill stretching well into the next century. They are said already to have submitted a rough outline of their places, which focus on different ways of supplementing state support, to the Prime Minister.

Tony Blair has already made clear that welfare reform is one of his top priorities and he called Mr Field to Downing Street only days after he became Prime Minister to urge him to "think the unthinkable".

One of the most far-reaching ideas is a scheme to review the balance between cash benefits and community care for the sick and the disabled.

Ms Harman is looking at the whole range of disability allowances and assessing whether some payments could be replaced by providing help for disabled people in the home. In the long term this approach could be extended to



Field: Blair urged him to think the unthinkable

other benefits. Sources said Ms Harman was keen to redress the balance between cash benefits and care".

Another area which Mr Field is particularly keen on is setting up new institutions to offer benefits to individuals, or mutuality" which is now the buzz word in Whitehall. Friendly societies or trade unions could offer individuals insurance against sickness. unemployment or long term

Mr Field is also keen to give people a greater stake in their own welfare by making them more aware of how their money is being spent. One idea is to transform the National Insurance contributions

omous and managed for its contributors. Each person would be given an individual account with annual statements of where their cash is

The 10-year programme which has been drawn up for Mr Blair is said to have included three options for the current benefit system:

☐ Supplementing state provision with private sector funding. One example is the proposed stakeholder pension to supplement the basic state

pension.

Replacing existing schemes altogether especially means tested benefits. One suggestion is a new care pension -which would be given to those looking after dependents, to replace existing carer allowances.

☐ New programmes, such as the universal mortgage insurance scheme.

The ideas are said to be at an early stage, with the details still to be fleshed out. But Mr Blair has made clear to his European colleagues over the last week that welfare reform should now be at the top of every country's agenda, arguing that European economies including Britain's could no longer sustain the current high levels of welfare payments.

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Bertie Ahern's appointment of Albert Reynolds was described as a sick joke

Ahern angers Unionists by giving Reynolds peace role

By AUDREY MAGEE AND NICHOLAS WATT

UNIONISTS reacted angrily after Bertie Ahern announced vesterday that he would appoint Albert Reynolds as his personal envoy to Northern Ireland. One senior Unionist described the idea as a "sick joke", while a loyalist leader dismissed the proposal as "off the wall".

Their comments came after the Fianna Fail leader confirmed that the former Irish Prime Minister would play a key role in his new Govern- an IRA ceasefire in place and I ment's dealings with North-

ern Ireland. It was unclear precisely what role Mr Reyn-olds would have because he will not have a Cabinet seat.

Mr Reynolds, who is credited with convincing republi-cans to declare a ceasefire in 1994, said he hoped to make a contribution to restoring peace in Ireland. He said: "There is a mood for going forward again and I would hope that we can bring everybody to the table. But, of course, we have to see

done behind the scenes to build the right environment for both ceasefires being

restored. Ken Maginnis, the Ulster Unionist MP for Fermanagh and South Tyrone, said: "I don't want the same sort of thing happening as happened when Albert Reynolds made a deal - and we don't know the deal that he made with Sinn Fein - which brought about the bogus ceasefire of 1994 and

finished up with Canary Wharf and Manchester." would like to see work being

Tories' parties

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a Cabinet minister, who lost his seat and who is fighting an expensive libel action. Smokers had to flick their ash in plastic containers. Yards of tin foil was unfurled to protect the

carpets and antique furniture. Kenneth Clarke, predictably, was one of the last to arrive at his party at the Institution of Civil Engineers. While guests, including Lord Whitelaw, the former Deputy Prime Minister, drank red and white wine Mr Clarke, in his trademark Hush Puppy shoes, the most potent political prop since Harold Wilson's pipe, drank glasses of beer, brought in especially for him. The only food on offer was

cheese and onion crisps. David Curry, one of his



Clark: "No wonder

Ken Clarke is partying with the same degree of frugality with which he ran the economy. We don't need cham-

pagne to persuade anyone."
First out of the blocks in the soiree stakes was John Redwood who kicked off his tea party at 4.30pm in dining room A at the House of Commons. The former Welsh Secretary drew an initial crowd of around 40 MPs to his afternoon event in the bowels of the House of Commons where his Would-be supporters were treated to traditional English summer party fare of Pimms and lemonade with tea and cakes.

How did the supporters take it? Some MPs were unimpressed. Alan Cairk, the maverick former minister who has not declared for any of the candidates, said: "the whole thing is ghastly and demeaning. No wonder people think we are out of touch."

☐ Mr Clarke was confidently expected by Tory MPs last night to emerge today as the winner of the first round of the Tory leadership election.

Claims by the Michael Howard camp that he was now assured of at least third place in today's opening round brought accusations of "cooking the books from the sup-porters of Mr Lilley and Mr Redwood, the other Right contenders. Voting will begin at 10 am and end at 5 pm.

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Rantzen attacked

Continued from page I case histories. "You care for the kids when you watch it. but what do you learn? There is nobody going on protest marches as a result of these films," he said.

Ms Rantzen, who helped to found the Childline charity in 1986, said that her pro-grammes were valuable and informative. It was paramount to ensure that vulnerable people who were featured retained their dignity throughout the programme.

"People have seen me campaigning out on windswept street corners for the best part of 30 years. They know who I am and I have found a way of reaching them," she said.

work and Mr Watson's was not necessarily one of quality. but one of taste, she said. She, too, issued a warning to voluntary organisations. "You must ask very serious ques-tions of the crew before you let them in for a long time. Beware of intellectual and charming men like Paul Watson. If his carneras are in your lives over a long period of time, after a while your defences go down and you cease to be aware of what he is

The conference, in London, was organised by the Media Trust and sponsored by News International, owner of The

Payments agreed on banned weapons

By James Landale

PARLIAMENT last night backed proposals to compensate thousands of handgunowners whose weapons have been banned.

Home Office officials expect more than 160,000 large-cali-bre handguns to be handed in to the police at a cost to taxpayers of almost £170 million. Shooting organisations believe that the figure will be substantially bigger.

All handguns over .22 calibre were banned earlier this year under the Firearms Act. However, the compensation scheme requires separate leg-islation which came before Houses of Commons and the Lords last night. Peers backed the scheme without a vote.

The handgum ban comes into force on July I and owners will have until October 1 to hand weapons in to police stations. After negotiations between the Home Office and the shooting lobby, owners can either accept a flat rate of £150 for each handgun or get an independent valuation of up to £775 for the market price of more expensive weapons. The £169 million compensation total comprises £150 million for the handguns and £19 million for ammunition and

ancillary equipment. Initial plans for the market price to be cut by 40 per cent for wear and tear have been reduced to a cut of 25 per cent. Shooting organisations said this means the compensation

Government predicts. Covernment plans to ban the remaining handguns are before Parliament and will be debated by MPs tomorrow. Labour's majority of 180 means that the total ban should be passed easily, despite protests from pro-shooting MPs and peers.

The moves came as Labour MPs stepped up their campaign to close the rifle range in the House of Commons and to set up a crèche instead.

Review of cancer screening

A national review of breast

screening programmes is being considered by the Government after evidence that there were delays in detecting cancer in nine women, two o whom later died of cancer,

Frank Dobson, the Health Secretary, told the Commons yesterday that he had asked Sir Kenneth Calman, the Chief Medical Officer, to conduct a preliminary inquiry into the way the women were treated when they were seen by the East Devon Breast Screening Service.

Lottery numbers

Plans by Camelot to launch a third televised National Lot tery show appeared to suffer a setback when official fig-ures showed that the BBC's live coverage of last Saturday's draw achieved its lowest ratings, with 6.2 million

Radio fine

Piccadilly Radio in Manchester has been fined £10,000 by the Radio Authority after the presenter James Stanage suggested on air that five teenage joyriders who died in a car crash had "got what they deserved". Stanage

Tunnel's last two

Only two tunnellers remained on the site of Manchester airport's second runway after an unwell pregmen are deep in the 100ft network, behind at least eight locked metal doors.

Air mail

Five of Britain's most famous aircraft designers are commemorated on a new set of stamps. Those featured on the "architects of the air" series include Roy Chadwick. designer of the Lancaster (26p), and Reginald Mitchell, the Spitfire (20p).

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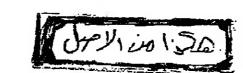
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My heart bleeds to see Kray in court, says Mad Frankie

CHARLIE KRAY, elder brother of the notorious twins who ruled gangland London in the 1960s, was a lovely, lovely man who wouldn't say boo to a goose. In fact, he wouldn't even say boo to two gooses, a court was told yesterday.

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The eulogy was delivered by "Mad Frankie" Fraser. another leading player from that long-ago era whose pop stars are now knights and its villains either dead or coining an honest bob from showing murder scenes to tourists. Fraser earned an awesome reputation, and an eternity behind bars, as an enforcer for the rival Richardson gang who ran the big rackets south of the Thames.

Fraser, 73, took the stand at Woolwich Crown Court in southeast London yesterday to attest to the good character of Kray, 70. who denies charges involving cocaine worth £39 million. The Crown alleges that he could have made £8 million profit, but for the fact the criminals he believed he was dealing with were

undercover police officers. His hair still dark but his face pallid from 42 years in prison. Fraser spoke in a deep, clear voice, apparently relishing the opportunity handed him by Jonathan Goldberg. QC, for the defence, to tell his life story. Judge and jury listened intently, Kray, apart from a brief upward glance as Fraser entered, sat behind the glass screen of the dock flanked by prison officers and

stared intently at the floor. Fraser recalled how he had been better known as "Mad Frankie" when he worked as an enforcer for Charles and Eddie Richardson's empire of one-armed bandits and scrapmetal yards. The rival Krays



Kray in 1965, when the East End was "safe"

from clubs. He explained that he was now married to Marilyn Wisbey, daughter of a Great Train Robber, and since leaving prison in 1989 was doing his best to go straight and earn a living from running guided tours of the high spots of East End villainy. He remarked with some pride that his autobiography had been reprinted ten times.

Asked by Mr Goldberg if it was true that, during his long years in prison, he had been on bread-and-water punishment more than anyone else, Fraser replied: "I would put money on that one." He also agreed that he had received the cat-o'-nine-tails three times. How many strokes, Mr Goldberg asked him. "I was greedy - 18 each time."

Smartly dressed in a white shirt, striped tie, checked jacket and black trousers, Fraser said there had been little conflict between the Kray and Richardson gangs, except among the lower ranks. Then senior figures would step in and restore the peace. "So," Mr Goldberg asked, "it was like the Cold War between America and Russia?" Fraser gang rivalry. Fraser was really quite friendly with the Krays, and had known Charlie for 40 years. "They were very good to me when I was serving a sentence. They used to take my sister to visit me."

Full-scale war almost erupted when Ronnie Kray murdered George Cornell, a Richardson henchman, in the Blind Beggar pub. Why, Mr Goldberg asked, did that killing happen? "He must have spoken to Ronnie not as well as he should have done," Fraser explained, adding that the Blind Beggar was now on his guided four. "I'd recommend you to have a drink there; it's very nice."

Pressing the point, Mr Goldberg asked what exactly Cornell had said to offend Ronnie Kray. "Theory has it he said Ronnie was a big fat poof, but that was not true." Whatever Cornell had actually said. Fraser agreed, it was not very nice. The questioning then turned

to Charlie Kray, and Mr Goldberg asked if he was in the same mould as his younger brothers. "Impossible, never, ever," Fraser replied emphatically, "He was not like that; he wouldn't say boo to a goose. He's a lovely man - a coward, but a lovely man." Had war erupted between

the rival gangs, would Charlie have been targeted by the Richardsons? "No way at all, of course not," Fraser replied. Far from running organised crime, Charlie ran a coat factory and an entertainment business.

Fraser recalled how he and Charlie were in Albany prison on the Isle of Wight during the hot summer of 1972, when most of the prisoners went on strike. Charlie Kray was one of six inmates who chose to keep his nose clean, putting on



his collar and tie in the morning to walk to work past the jeers and catcalls of his prisoners. Fraser looked over to the dock, where Kray sat, bowed and motionless. He had his principles, He was a lovely man: he couldn't do nothing wrong.

Mr Goldberg asked Fraser if Charlie Kray was into any crime at all. "None at all," Fraser replied.

My heart bleeds to see him

When the turned to the subject of drugs, Fraser said the Krays and the ainst them - not least because they hardly existed in those days. When the Krays were in the East End, women and children were 100 per cent free and safe. No muggings, nothing like that. Violence was strictly between gangs, and other people were never in-volved, Fraser said. To this day the Krays are quite rightly

John Kelsey-Fry, for the Crown, asked if Kray was capable of dealing in drugs. "He could not do it not for a single day, not for a minute. You are probably more into earned a swift rebuke from Judge Carroll, Would Mr. Fraser refrain from making comments. Fraser apologised, and continued his eulogy. "Charlie wouldn't only not say boo to a goose, he wouldn't say boo to two gooses." The Crown sat down. The

defence thanked Fraser for his attendance, and said he was now free to go. Fraser halfraised a right arm in triumph. "This is the first time I've ever walked out of a court free." he announced to laughter. Even Charlie Kray managed the

setting up a cocaine deal with Kray. Mrs Hamdouchi, 32 said that had stayed at the Swallow Hotel in Waltham Abbey, Essex, where they and another undercover officer, referred to as Jack, had spent hours at the bar drinking with the Spice Girl

about a drugs deal, and that he had £63,000 in the boot of his car. After Kray had been arrested. Mrs Hamdouchi said she had received a any commission. It asserts

Asked by Jonathan Goldberg, QC,

Mrs Hamdouchi said that Brian

had told her he was there to see Kray

Art dealer tells how he lost out on £200,000 Constable deal

By Adrian Lee

A DEALER in fine art lost almost £200,000 commission when he was squeezed out of the sale of a £6.7 million Constable painting to the furniture tycoon Sir Graham Kirkham, the High Court was told yesterday.

View On Stour, an oil sketch, was one of three important works sold by the Royal Holloway and Bedford New College between 1992 and 1994 to raise funds for renovation work. Peter Nahum, 50, who

runs his own gallery and has appeared as an expert on the BBC programme Antiques Roadshow, had already arranged the sale of Peasants Going to Market, by Gainsborough, to Sir Graham for £3.5 million, the court heard. He was paid £100,000 commission but said he was assured that Sir Graham did not want to buy the Constable.

He said he was angry and upset when he later discovered that the college's "secret buyer" for the Constable was Sir Graham, one of Britain's richest men. Mr Nahum claims he is entitled to £196,000 plus interest, because without him the college, in Egham, Surrey, would never have been introduced to Sir Graham, a backer of the Conservative Party who was honoured by John Major. The college denies it had any contract with Mr Nahum to sell the

second painting.

Mr Nahum, who had hoped to arrange the sale of all three paintings for more than £20 million, earning him £500,000 commission, read in a newspaper that Sir Graham had bought the Constable. He confronted another art dealer, Alan Hobart, also Sir Graham's agent. Mr Hobart was, at the time, a close friend of 20 years, said Mr Nahum, and the man who had told him

Sir Graham had no interest. "I was angry. My friend had told me he [Sir Graham] was not interested in buying that picture. I did think it extraordinary that someone should go behind my back."

Joe Smouha, for Mr Nahum, said it later emerged

that Mr Hobart and an academic, Professor Norman McConkey, dean of arts and design at the University of Northumbria, had received commission from Sir Graham for arranging the second purchase. His client had been cut out of the deal and the college did not pay

that the deal was arranged directly with Sir Graham's

Mr Nahum said the normal rate of commission was between 10 and 15 per cent but he had agreed to work for 2.5 per cent because of the high value of the art. He was one of a number of dealers seeking purchasers on be-half of the college and estimated his costs were more than £30,000.

He had visited 90 muse-ums and galleries in the United States during his two-year search. The first work, Von Troomp Going About, by Turner, was sold to the Getty Museum without Mr Nahum's help, so he received no commission.

All three works were among a collection of 77 bequeathed to the college by one of its founders. Thomas Holloway, in 1886. The col-



Kirkham: bought two paintings from college

lege's decision to sell had itself attracted controversy. Mr Smouha said the agreement between Mr Nahum, owner of the Leicester Galleries in London, whose Mr Hobart was verbal. "It is the norm ... in the fine art world, not to reduce such agreements to contracts in

writing." The court was told that Mr Nahum and Mr Hobart were no longer friends. Mr Nahum, who previously worked for Sotheby's, said: My feeling is that the college were dealing in a market they did not truly understand and they did not have an adviser."

There is no suggestion that Sir Graham Kirkham the son of a miner who made his estimated £260 million fortune through the flotation of the DFS furniture company. acted improperly. The case

'Charlie has not got an ounce of badness in him'



Sheridan-Price: impressed by Kray's younger brothers

BY ALAN HAMILTON

THE defence produced an entire generous man. He was regarded as a The world had been a much safer East Enders at Woolwich gentleman. He was different from place when they were around. Asked during their affair, she and Brian Crown Court to attest to the virtues and good nature of Charlie Kray.

"Mad Frankie" Fraser was followed by a string of supporting acts. William Murray, who plays Detective Sergeant Beech in ITV's The Bill, said Kray had funded his first year at Joan Littlewood's East End acting school, and had given him £400 to live on, a substantial sum at the time. When the actor was awarded a grant and offered to repay the money, he said Kray had told him: "Keep it. It's a long life."

Mr Murray, 54, who gave his address as that of his agent in central London, said that all three Kray

brothers were like that, "There was

the other two." In recent years he always claimed to have a deal going. whether in oil or South African gold, but none were genuine. "Anyone who actually believed him would have to have a brain cell missing."

Elleen Sheridan-Price, who was the first Miss Great Britain in 1960, and the first Miss UK, described Kray as the salt of the earth. "He is a lovable rascal. The whole world is a happier place every time he comes to the door. He has not got an ounce of malice or badness in him." In recent years, she said, Kray had been so broke that he could not afford more than one suit, nor a trip to the barber. She admitted that she had been

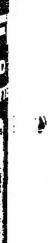
many a time they were sticking a impressed by the style, charisma and drug dealer and was involved in fiver in my pocket. Charlie was a integrity of his younger brothers. whether any of the Krays would ever have had anything to do with drugs, she replied: "Certainly not, it was alien to their make up. I feel very vehement about that. I remember Charlie saying to me once, 'Anybody who pushes drugs is the scum of the

> Michelle Hamdouchi, a nightclub worker, told the court that she had had a two-week affair with one of the undercover police officers in the case, whom she knew as Brian. They had met in a Birmingham nightclub, where Kray was also a guest. She said the officer, who earlier in the trial denied suggestions of an affair,

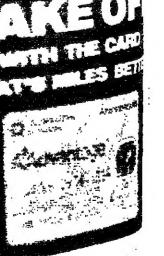
telephone call from Brian saying he had to lie low for a while. She had not seen him again.

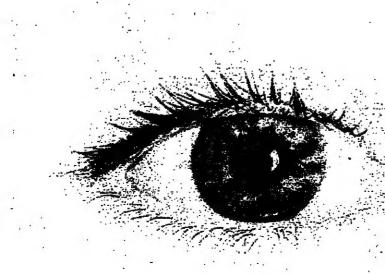
Victoria Adams.

for the defence, to describe Brian, she replied: "Well, he's fat."









Bus driver died after attack by gang of women

By A STAFF REPORTER

A BRITISH coach driver who died in hospital two months after being found unconscious in Prague was apparently the victim of a female criminal

gang, it emerged at an inquest yesterday.

Joe Baines, a 53-year-old father of five, died in hospital in Durham in December, two months after suffering severe head injuries when he was repeatedly attacked in a park in the capital of the Czech

The inquest was told that Mr Baines and three other drivers who had taken two coach loads of Hull University students to Prague had a night out in the city and were chatted up by a group of women who wanted to take them in taxis to another bar. Of the three who went with the women, two later returned to their hotel minus their wallets. and Mr Baines was found lying in a park, battered and stripped of his cash and

James Sunter, a pathologist, said Mr Baines died from pneumonia which developed as he lay unconscious as a result of severe brain damage. He said the injuries suggested Mr Baines had been attacked from behind, with several blows being struck rather than a single, devastating one. Recording a verdict that Mr Baines, from Durham, was unlawfully killed. Geoffrey Burt, the north Durham coroner, said: "It seems to me that

the three drivers who were

robbed had been the subject of some preconceived plan by local residents to rob foreign

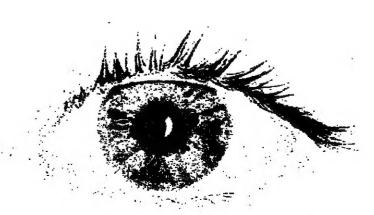
"They had been lured away in taxis or to remote places and robbed of their possessions. It may be Mr Baines resisted and was attacked. Quite clearly he was viciously attacked and robbed."

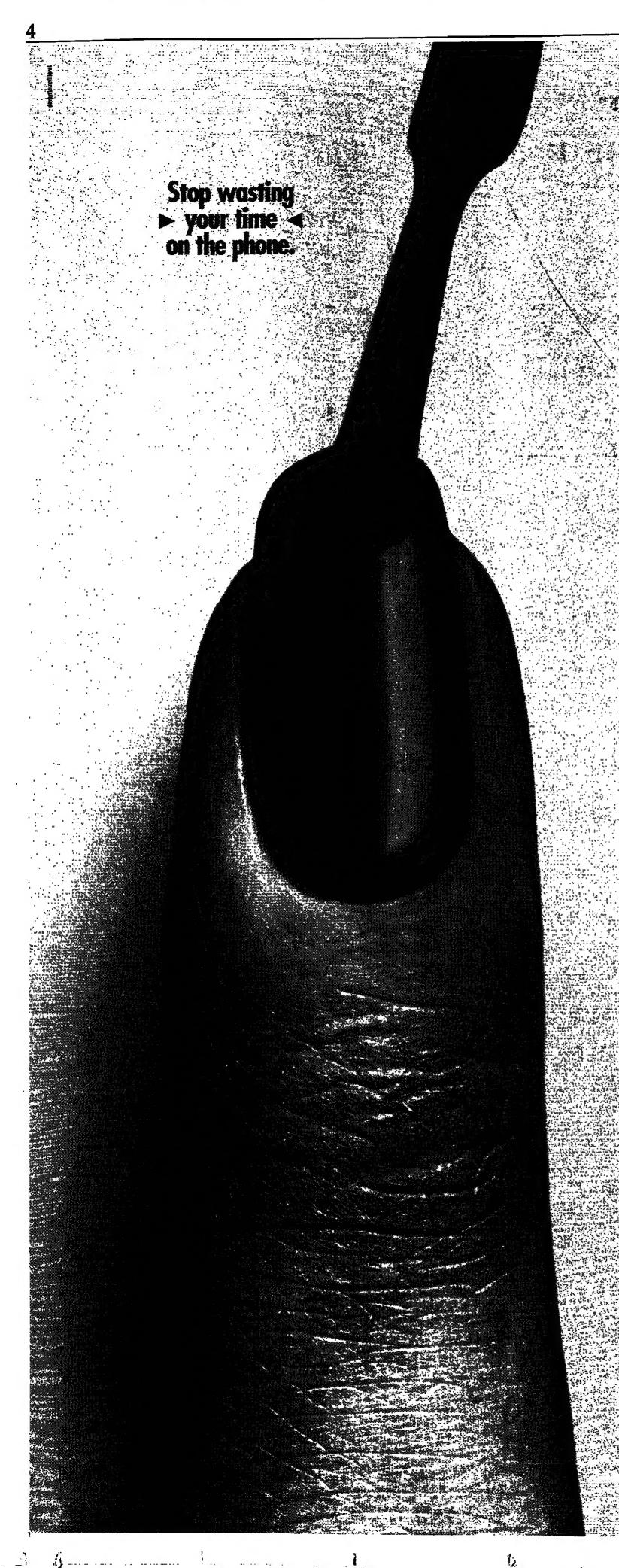
The inquest was told that the drivers' encounter with the women in a bar was their second brush with female thieves that night. Earlier, as they walked through the city, six women had accosted them, one of them grabbing Billy Fairless's wallet and fleeing. He said he chased her and

recovered his money. He said that after the second group of women approached them in a bar, his legs suddenly "felt fuzzy". When he finally got back to the hotel he reached for his wallet to pay the taxi fare and it was not there. Stuart Dobson, a fellow driver, said he felt "woozy" the morning afterwards, which was unusual for him. He also had his wallet which had

contained £600, stolen. The only driver who did not go was Stephen Barlow, who told the hearing he refused to join the other three and the women and took a train back to the hotel alone. When he heard about the other two being robbed he did not feel

very sympathetic.
The drivers said they reported the women's actions to the local police. They took officers to the bar where they were accosted and were shown pictures of women but could not





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Oyster firm sues over Ritz food poison claim

A HIGH Court jury was handed two dozen oysters yesterday at the start of a libel action brought by a supplier of shellfish to the Ritz Hotel in

But the oysters had been vacuum cleaned and sealed with Araldite and were not for eating but for examining, said Jonathan Crystal, representing Colchester Oyster Fishery. He asked the jury to spot the difference between the native oyster and the rock, or Pacific, oyster, which was blamed for a series of outbreaks of illness in 1991. "It's not every jury which is treated to bags of oysters at the beginning of a case," he told them. But the difference between the two species of oyster was central to

the case, he explained. It was rock oysters from Ireland which made diners at the Ritz ill in December 1991. not native oysters which Colchester Oyster Fisheries Limited supplied, he told the jury. Despite the difference. Christopher Purslow, a hygiene consultant employed by the Ritz to investigate the food poisoning, wrongly attributed



Christopher Purslow: blamed Colchester firm

it to oysters supplied by Colchester Oyster Fisheries. His report was sent to the Ritz, its loss adjusters and a rival shellfish supplier. Colchester Oyster Fisheries and its director Roger Kerrison claim damages for loss of reputation and sales. Mr Crystal said in the winter of 1991 there were four outbreaks of food poisoning among diners at London's Savoy Hotel, Le Pont de la Tour and Café Fish

which were linked to rock

ever was supplied by Colchester Oyster Fisheries,

In December 1991 a dinner arty of eight had eaten in the Ritz dining room, consuming salad of warm oysters, roast Nurfolk Turkey and Christmas pudding with brandy sauce. "Twenty-four hours later the oreaniser and six of her guests were severely unwell," Mr Crystal suid. A week later, 20 diners

gathered for their firm's Christmas celebration also ate the same menu and hours later eight were also unwell. retainer with the Ritz to investigate food hygiene, was asked to look into the matter. After hospital tests, the gastric poisoning was found to come from rock oysters deriving from Cork harbour in Ireland, where there was a history of contamination in the oyster beds by raw sewage.

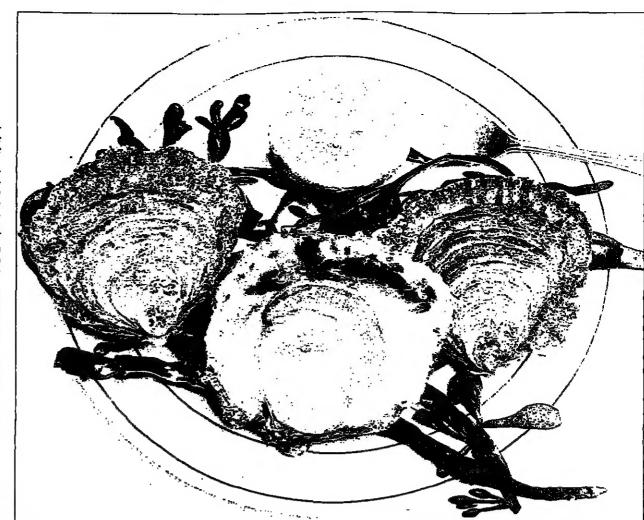
Mr Purslow then wrote his report wrongly naming Colchester Oyster Fisheries as the suppliers of the oysters without checking the hotel's invoices and receipts. "He had named the wrong supplier. Colchester Oyster Fisheries

ters to the Ritz in 1991 because they were supplying native oysters," Mr Crystal said.

The result was that Colchester Oyster Fishery had suffered loss of reputation and sales and they were now claiming damages. Mr Crystal told the jury: "You would not wish to be accused of poisoning your guests and so it was with my clients who were being accused of poison-ing Ritz Hotel diners."

In fact, the jury would be hearing from the Ritz's store manager who would tell them he had a standing order for rock oysters with The Atlantic Shellfish Company, In January of 1992 Colchester Oyster Fisheries were contacted by the Ritz's loss adjusters who told them they would have to cover compensation claims by the hotel guests. Despite immediately writing to Mr Purslow asking for a correction, the company has never heard back.

Mr Crystal told the jury they would have to decide it Mr Purslow's report defamed Colchester Oyster Fisheries. Chris Purslow & Associates deny libel. The case continues.



Pacific oysters were said to have poisoned Ritz diners, but the Colchester company says it did not supply them

'Osteopath was murdered over secret drug deal'

By A STAFF REPORTER

TO colleagues and friends Danny Dyke was an admired osteopath and avid rugby fan. What none knew was that the 31-year-old bachelor led a double life supplying drugs and that a dispute over a deal led to him being murdered and buried in a concrete coffin

To cover their crime the three-man gang accused of murdering Mr Dyke are alleged to have twice exhumed his body, doused it in petrol and then reburied it encased in concrete. They then covered his makeshift hillside grave in rubble, Swansea Crown Court

Detectives had all but given up searching for Mr Dyke, who worked as a physiotherapist and played rugby for Eastbourne. Then last year one of the gang, John Welsby,

CORRECTION

Comments from the Founda-tion for the Study of Infant Deaths (report, May 23) were wrongly attributed to the Scottish Cot Death Trust, at the Royal Hospital for Sick Children in Glasgow. We apologise for the error.

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led police to the remote grave. John Welsby, 38, and his brother Terence, 41, and a nighelub bouncer John Wilson, 38, all deny murder. The court was told how Mr Dyke, who worked as an osteopath in Neath and Swansea, had driven from his home near Eastbourne to South Wales in April 1994 to collect money owed to him from drug deals.

Christopher Llewellyn-Jenkins, for the prosecution, said Mr Dyke had built up a sophisticated undercover drugs network with dealers in London, South Wales and near his home in Friston, East Sussex, where he lived with his mother, Suzanne.

He told how on April 13, Dyke drove to Swansea in his Ford RS Turbo to collect El6.000 from Mr Welsby. He then headed for Mr Wilson's home in search of more cash. There Mr Wilson was joined by the Welsby brothers and there was an argument over money in the kitchen.

"In the kitchen of the house Daniel Dyke was attacked and killed. His body was wrapped in the kitchen carpet and put into the back of a van," Mr Llewellyn-Jenkins

The trial continues.

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Nanny's slap 'left handprint on boy'

By TIM JONES

A TEENAGE tranny slapped a little boy so hard that the imprints of her hand could be seen on his bruised bottom hours later, a court was told

yesterday.
Stacey Spence, 19, a qualified nanny, allegedly hit the 22-year-old after what she claimed was "an absolutely horrendous day" looking after him and his sister, aged five. Christopher Gray, for the prosecution, told Northampton Crown Court that the boy. who cannot be named, also had clumps of hair missing. friction burns to his back and elbow and two injured fingers. When Miss Spence left for home the boy burst into tears and clung to his mother.

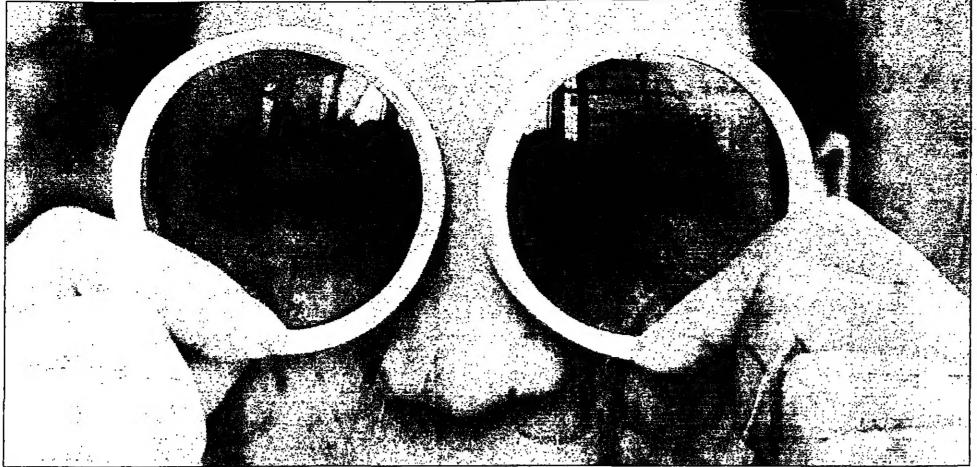
Mr Gray said the parents had employed Miss Spence because they knew her family, who lived in the same village. He said that, after returning home last October, the father found his son shaking and he and Miss Spence seemed to be

"When he asked Miss Spence what was up she said the boy had been worse than ever." Mr Gray said. "She said she had a headache and had had an awful day. She said the boy had wet and soiled his pants and she had had to give him a bath. She said he had spat out his lunch over the table and some had gone over

Miss Spence, the court heard, had told the mother that her son had been very disobedient and had given her an absolutely horrendous day". She admitted smacking the boy on the bottom, but claimed that it had been only a

While being changed for bed, the boy clung to his mother, who saw the bruises on his bottom. He also had spots of blood on his scalp where hair was missing and limped on his left leg. The mother, an NHS radiologist, said her son was terrified when Miss Spence arrived for work the next day. She said: "I don't employ people to hit my children. I never smack my

Miss Spence, from Thrapston, Northamptonshire, denies inflicting actual bodily harm on the boy. The trial



Improved vision: David Harris with two of his coloured contact lenses yesterday. The design works by tricking the brain into seeing colours differently, giving more vivid hues

Contact lens could cure colour blindness

By Paul Wilkinson

A CONTACT lens designed to help people suffering from colour blindness has been developed by an optician at St James's Hospital in Leeds.

The problem is common, affecting one in 12 British men and one in 200 women, but until now there has been no way of correcting it. The contact lens, called Chroma-Gen, has been devised by David Harris, and works by tricking the brain into seeing colours differently.

In the past month he has perfected a method of applying the pigment to ordinary specacles. Technicians coat the outer surface of the lenses with a gold-silver mix, making them look like sunglasses. Mr Harris, 37, who runs a

laser treatment centre in Liverpool, has spent two years on the design. At the centre of the lens is a suitable pigment, chosen to suit the particular patient. While it does nothing to change the basic problem of a defect in the retina, the pigment enables colour-blind people to see more vivid hues.

Clinical tests of his lenses on a sample of 275 people has Colour blindness is caused by defective cells in a region of

pigment to the centre of the contact lens enabling better

per cent of them, he claims. Men are more prone to colour blindness than women because they have different chromosomes. The condition is caused by a defect in cells in the retina, which detects individual colours and mixes them to give the brain the correct shade. Most sufferers have problems with discerning either red or green. In the worst red-deficient cases, sufferers

improved colour vision in 96.7

see it as black. Mr Harris's process adds a colour to compensate for the deficiency. He said: "It's not quite as simple as adding red to make up for a red deficiency. What works for one person might not work for another who apparently has the same

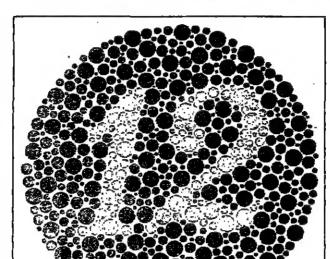
problem. By using a set of 26 different tints we can see what works for the individual.

There were attempts in the late 1960s and early 1970s to use coloured lenses to improve colour vision, but they were unsuccessful. I have based my research on that and finally made the breakthough about a year ago. Patients most often describe the effect as an intensifying of their colour vision, enabling them to more accurately identify colours that might otherwise have been confused.

"A tiny amount of pigment is added to the centre of the lens. It is not apparent to the casual observer, because it is over the pupil, but the wearer sees a colour-enhanced view. Normally we need to do it only for one eye, it is enough for the brain to create a correct picture from the images received

from both eyes."

So far 400 people are using the new lenses but Mr Harris is setting up a national training scheme for opticians. The first six are expected to qualify shortly. They will operate the system under licence and the lenses will retail at between £200 and £300. Mr Harris



Pick a number: standard test for colour-blindness

that people who were previ-ously barred from jobs where

correct colour vision was es-

sential will now be able to find

employment. Mr Harris said:

The Civil Aviation Authority,

for example, which requires

perfect colour vision for pilots,

will not change their minds,

said: They are unlikely to be available on the National Health Service, as any kind of contact lens is difficult to get on the NHS these days. However, some fundholding GPs have been prepared to buy

them for patients." The lenses will not

is not a requirement, anything from mixing paint to the electronics industry when things like picking out the correct colour-coded resistor are important, it will of great

but police forces are showing

"And in areas where safety

Stephen Spall, the adminis-trator of the Corneal Laser Centre at St James's, said: "It is such a simple idea that people will ask why it was not developed before now. But as with all inventions it is often the simplest which prove to be the best.

The astounding thing about all this is that the lenses themselves have nothing particularly special about them. The success of ChromaGen is more dependent on how the patients react to them. No one really knows how they work."

Stephen Lofthouse, a 37year-old sales executive of Dewsbury, west Yorkshire, has red-green colour blindness. The condition improved with ChromaGen lenses. He said: "I never realised what it was like to see colours as they really are. I had a very drab view of the world."

Nuclear flights are safe, says company

BY NICK NUTTALL ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

FEARS that lives are being put at risk by flights of nuclear waste across Britain were dismissed last night by British Nuclear Fuels.

Consignments of plutonium and uranium between Sellafield, in Cumbria, and the Continent will become more frequent when a spent-fuel reprocessing plant comes on stream. Denis MacShane, Labour MP for Rotherham. has said that the flights will cross his constituency. It is claimed that the emergency services are worried about the risks of an air-crash. Mr MacShane said yesterday that Gavin Strang, the Transport Minister, had agreed to meet him to discuss his concerns. He added that he would be calling for a ban on flights of

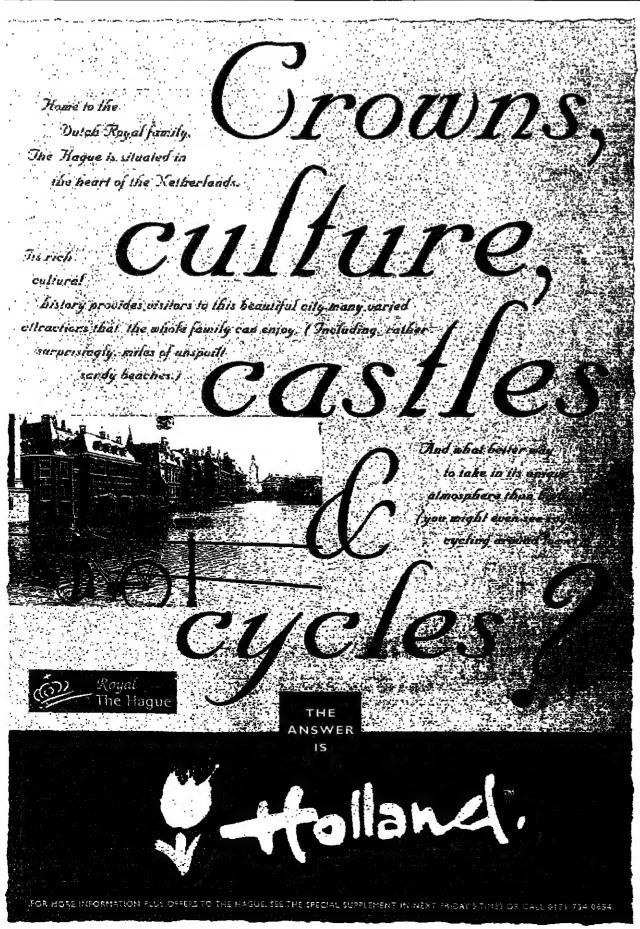
BNFL confirmed yesterday that a fest flight of the new fuel, called mixed oxide, was made last year between Brit-ain and Switzerland. But the company denied that flights went over heavily populated areas. "Nuclear materials, including plutonium and mixed oxide fuel, have been safely transported by air by the civil nuclear power industry for over 30 years. There has never been an accident involving the release of radioactivity.

"Flights have been conducted in complete safety from Carlisle airport for many years," a spokesman said. The company said that the containers met United Nations safety standards and more stringent.

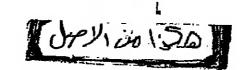
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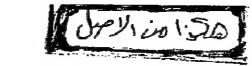
The MOX plant, which turns spent fuel into a hard ceramic blend of nuclear materials, is set to come fully on stream after consultation by the Department of the Environment. The Environment Agency is

studying air freight. Dr John Hazzard, a nuclear physicist at Imperial College, London, told BBC Radio 4's The World at One that he believed the flights were at least partly motivated "by the political requirement to avoid the sort of confrontation with protesters which rail or road and sea travel seems to have attracted. He added: "If it has to be transported [can't think of a worse way to do it."











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Silent star's letters show truth behind the scandal

Archive may redeem Mabel Normand's reputation, says John Vincent

SHE was the original Twenties flapper, the "I don't care" girl whose fabulous film career ended amid rumours

of drug abuse and murder. Mabel Normand, brilliant comedienne, pioneer of early cinema and long-time lover of Mack Sennett, lived life to the full. But it was a wild and dissolute life and it led to her death at the age of 35 from a combination of pneumonia and tuberculosis.

Sixty seven years later, her great-nephew is selling an archive of letters and photographs. The Rev Stephen Normand defends Normand's reputation fiercely. She was actually a very kind and generous woman."

Mr Normand, a curate in St Albans, Hertfordshire, said yesterday: "I have spoken to many scholars and people who have known Mabel and no one has had a bad word to say about her. She became scandals of her day, but she

was simply someone who was in the wrong place at the wrong time. I hope the sale of the archive will help to set the record straight."

The papers are expected to fetch up to £4,000 at Phillips in London on Thursday; the proceeds will go to cancer research. They include intimate letters from her husband, the actor Lew Cody, as well as correspondence to and from friends, among them Mary Pickford, John Barrymore, Pola Negri and Norma Talmadge. The photographs include some of her as a child. More bizarre are a lock of hair cut from her head after her death, and X-rays of her teeth in 1924 and 1925.

Normand, who appeared in numerous films between 1911 and 1926, is described by the film historian Ephraim Katz as "perhaps the most talented screen". She was also the only woman to have directed Charlie Chaplin, who greatly adand timing, and the first person to direct a film that grossed a million dollars: Mickey, in 1918.

Her love affair with Sennett, the actor, director and producer who described her as being "beautiful as a spring morning", was immortalised in the 1974 Broadway and West End musical, Mack and Mabel.

According to her great-nephew, "Mabel was too trusting of Mack Sennett and this ultimately led to the breakdown of their relation-ship. In 1916 Mabel produced Mickey, her first leature-length film, but when Sennett saw the finished version, he led Mabel to believe that it was not very good and bought the rights from her for

Two years later, after Mabel moved on to the Goldwyn studio. Sennett released Mickey and it became an overnight success. After that,

Mack Sennett any longer."
Normand, separated from Sennett for the first time in seven years, was soon caught up in a whirl of extravagant all-night parties and was rumoured to be addicted to drugs. In 1922 the director William Desmond Taylor, with whom Normand was romantically linked, was murdered. Although she was

permanently tarnished. Then her chauffeur was found standing over the body of a Hollywood millionaire. Cortland S. Dines - and the smoking gun in his hand double scandal had a shattering effect on her career and her popularity waned rapidly.

eventually cleared of any in-

volvement, her image was

Her marriage to Cody, who played the villain in Mickey, was a last stab at happiness. as both of them were dving. she from a life of excess, he from a heart ailment.



Mabel Normand in Raggedy Rose. She was described as "the most talented comic star of the silent screen"

Bridgewater man in court over theft

By A STAFF REPORTER

the Bridgewater Four, was released on bail yesterday after he appeared in court charged with the theft of a gold ring and possession of a machete

Mr Hickey, 36, appeared in a high-security courtroom at Birmingham Magistrates Court flanked by security guards and dressed in blue denim shirt, blue jeans and blue socks, but no shoes. He appeared disorientated during the brief hearing, spoke to confirm his date of birth, his name and that he understood a charge of the theft of an 18carat solitaire diamond ring worth £750 from a jewellery shop in Birmingham on Saturday. He was also charged with possessing an offensive weapon, a 10in machete.

An application for bail by Jim Nichol, for Mr Hickey. was granted by stipendiary magistrate Michael James, to muted cheers. Mr James adjourned the case for reports until June 30 and bailed Mr Hickey with a condition the he live at an address in Kidderminster.

Mr Hickey, his cousin Vin-



Hickey: in need of help.

MICHAEL HICKEY, one of cent Hickey, Jimmy Robinson and Patrick Molloy were jailed at Stafford Crown Court in 1979 for the shotgun killing of Carl Bridgewater, a newspaper delivery boy, at Yew Tree Farm near Stourbridge

the previous year.

Vincent Hickey, then aged 25. and Mr Robinson, then 43, were sentenced to life and Michael Hickey was ordered to be detained indefinitely. Mr Molloy, jailed for manslaughter died in prison in 1981.

The three survivors were released on unopposed bail by the Court of Appeal on February 21 this year. Their formal appeal began in April, lasted 22 days and was adjourned last month after judgment was reserved.

Ourside court vesterda Ann Whelan, Mr Hickey's mother, who campaigned for his release, said she feared he was suffering from a psychiatric illness. "It's quite clear that Michael isn't well.

"I think he needs a lot of help. Any logically thinking person must see that you can't lock someone away for eighteen and a half years and then just throw them out. It's like life has gushed out at him and he's rushed at life but it's changed and he's finding it very difficult. It's just sad and unfortunate but what happened, happened."

She said that her son felt he wanted a quiet period away from the glare of media attention.

Michelle Beswick, Mr Hickey's girlfriend with whom he Itas lived since his release, said she was pleased that he would be going home. Miss Beswick, 31, said: "I just want him home, that's all. We will make sure that he does come back to court. He can't do ali those many years without being affected but I'm doing the best I can to help him."

Climber walks on with broken neck

By PAUL WILKINSON

A CLIMBER walked two miles with a broken neck and fractured skull after a fall on Ben Nevis. Stanley Draycott. 48. from Rotherham, south Yorkshire, slipped on wet rocks and landed head first on a stone slab as he climbed Britain's highest mountain

He was found by a party of German students who alerted a mountain rescue team. Last night he was said to be "badly shocked but stable and satisfactory" in the Queen Elizabeth spinal injuries unit of the Southern General Hospital.

"He is a lucky man." a hospital spokesman said. "He has to undergo a series of tests and scans but he had a high degree of movement in his potentially favourable."

Mr Draycott's wife. Suzanne, said: "I warned him not to walk alone. The terrain in Scotland is more difficult than what he is used to. I warned him about this trip but he is very stubborn. He usually

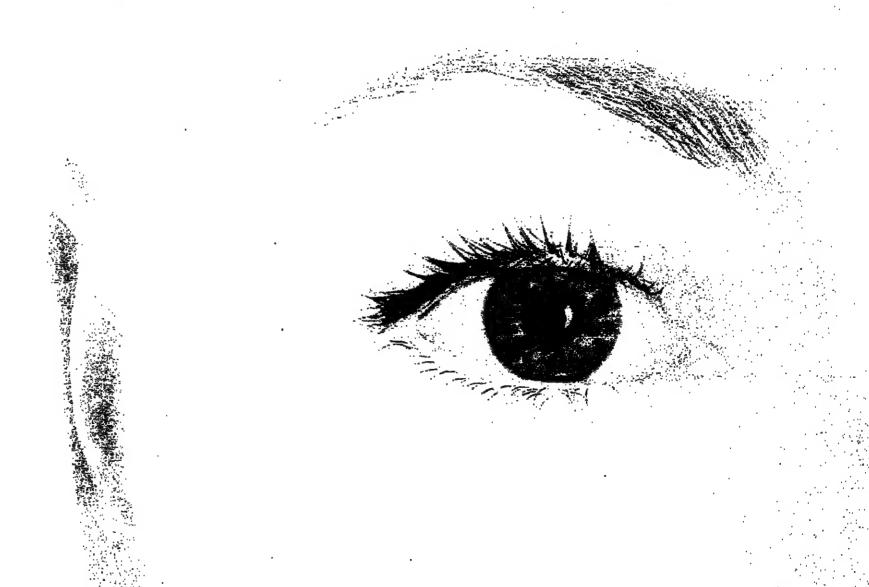
walks in the Lake District or Derbyshire but the terrain in Scotland is more dangerous.

"He insisted on going alone and I was terrified that something like this would happen. Hopefully now he will see sense and stick to easier walks with a group. The main thing is that he is alive. It could have been a lot worse."

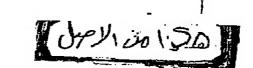
Mr Draycott, a metallurgist with British Steel, was knocked unconscious in the fall on Sunday evening and came round after almost an hour. At about 10pm he stum-bled on a group of students camping 1,500ft below where hostel near by to raise the alarm.

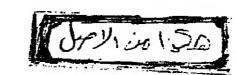
Mr Draycott was carried of the mountain after midnight by the Lochaber Mountain Rescue Team. It was not until doctors at Belford Hospital in Fort William examined him that it was realised he had broken bones in his neck and a fractured skull. He was then transferred to the Southern General Hospital.

They work better together.



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Weeping mother says premature baby was given no chance to live By SHIRLEY ENGLISH A MOTHER wept vesterday as she said that a doctor left her premahow could he walk away and leave

ture baby daughter to die in her arms after pronouncing her "not viable", even though she was

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moving and breathing normally.

Kirsty Cassidy, 22, said that Rebecca, who weighed ilb 402. looked fine and was trying her hardest to live, but doctors just walked away. She told a fatal accident inquiry at Kilmarnock Sheriff Court that she screamed at Dr Faisal Al-Zidgali, a paediatrician, to put her daughter into intensive care, but that he took a brief look at the newborn child and decided she was beyond help.

Mrs Cassidy, of Irvine, Ayrshire, said: "He came in and pulled the towel away from her face, then said, I am sorry, she is too small, she is not viable. There is nothing I can do. I am not going to do anything.' He looked at her again and said he was sorry, then he just walked back out of the door.

"I wanted to hold her because I knew no one was coming back. I was shouting for help but the door stayed shut. All I could think was,

her when she was moving around and trying her hardest?"

Mrs Cassidy, who has two other children, hopes to establish that parents should have the right to be consulted over whether their child is given lifesaving treatment, no matter how slim the chance of survival. She claims that Ayrshire Central Hospital mismanaged her pregnancy and did not take all reasonable precautions to prevent her haby's death. She had a history of miscorriage which did not appear to be taken into account.

Mrs Cassidy said that she demanded an inquiry because she knew it was possible for babies as small as Rebecca to survive. Although she miscarried at 21 weeks in 1992, her son Darren, now four, was born at 29 weeks at Queen Mother's Hospital, Glasgow, Unlike Rebecca, he was given the care he needed to survive, she said.

Rebecca was born on September 7 after a 25-week pregnancy. Her mother said that her colour was good, she was breathing and her fingers, legs and arms were moving. She lived for more than an hour cradled in her mother's arms. Mrs Cassidy told the court that the baby looked so well that her husband John. 36, left the room to relephone relatives with the good

news. Moments later their happiness was shattered by Dr Zidgali's diagnosis. Mrs Cassidy said that next day the paediatrician told her that Rebecca's movements were muscle spasms and her breathing nothing

but gasps. He said placing her in intensive care, linked to drips and needles, would have been painful and she might have become braindamaged or disabled. "He was admitting she could have had a chance of survival," Mrs Cassidy said. "I thought, it is not up to him to decide if I wish or

do not wish to have a handicapped

child. I could not say if she would

have lived or not, but she never was given the chance." Certificates issued by the hospital gave the time of birth and death as 2pm. "It was as if she had not lived at all, had not existed," Mrs Cassidy said. After she complained



John and Kirsty Cassidy. He had telephoned relatives with news of the birth when the doctor gave his "shattering" diagnosis

the hospital changed the time of death to 2.30pm. Mrs Cassidy said that guidelines used throughout Britain were that

bubies born at more than 500

grammes should be put into inten-

sive care - Rebecca was 570

grammes - and that doctors should do what parents requested. Cross-examined by Susan Murray, representing North Ayrshire and Arran NHS Trust, Mrs Cassidy denied that when Dr

already turning blue. She said that midwives continued to monitor the baby for an hour.

The doctor's notes recorded that Rebecca was "very premature, had fixed or fused eyes and was more

breathing was in gasps and her heart rate was ten beats a minute. compared with a normal 120-160 beats. He had concluded: "No resuscitation, not viable, no dynamic."

Greer attacks mutilation of precious books By Jim McCue

GERMAINE GREER has accused the antiquarian book trade of barbarism by cutting up volumes to sell single pages as prints.
The Antiquarian Booksell-

ers' Association had commissioned her to write a preface for its catalogue for the London book fair, but Ms Greer's work was rejected after she attacked some members for selling "the wreckage of beautiful books in the shape of single leaves at inflated prices".

In the article, published in The Times today, the author and academic writes: "If it is barbarous to burn a book, it is hardly less barbarous to dismember it.

"Whenever I see a page torn from a psalter or a missal or worse still a herbal or a florilegium, and sold off as something to frame and hang on a walf. I vow to ring my Euro MP and ask him to bring a Bill in the European Parliament to outlaw any further breaking-up of antiquarian books for profit."

Joylon Hudson, of the association, said: "We wanted an article about the bicentenary of Mary Wollstonecraft and Mary Shelley." The association represents 225 dealers in this country, including a small number who regularly break fine illustrated books for their plates, which can realise up to five or ten times as much when sold separately for wall decorations.

Few dealers admit to such mutilation, and the usual excuse given is that the book was already in an imperfect state. However, only a few



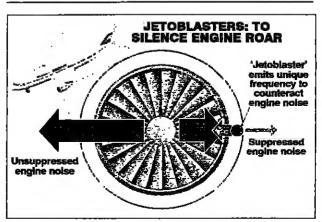
Greer: she accused the book trade of barbarism

months ago a reputable book seller who had bought a copy of the 1632 Second Folio of Shakespeare missing only a few pages said if it did not sell readily he might break it "very reluctantly", to sell to visiting Americans.

The president of the associ-Peter Miller ation, Spelman's bookshop in York, said that some dealers, including himself, now refuse to touch single prints unless they have been issued separately. "But Germaine Greer is looking at books from a purist. academic point of view, making out that every one is a unique piece of evidence. She doesn't ask whether there is one copy left or a thousand."

A spokesman for Pickering and Chatto in Pall Mall said somebody "needs to get on to a scapbox as she has, and scream about it" but it would not help solve the problem of incomplete books.

Germaine Greer, page 22



Scientists use noise to silence jet engine

By HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT

RELIEF may be at hand for people living near busy air-ports after a breakthrough in the suppression of jet engine

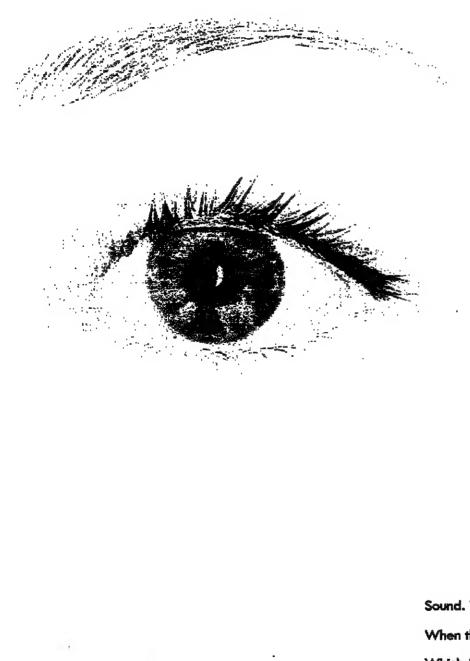
A sophisticated compressedair "loudspeaker", nicknamed the jetoblaster, produces noise at similar frequencies to those in a jet engine, thus cancelling them out. The device is about to go on ground trials at Heathrow airport and, if successful, it is planned to develop a smaller unit to instal on an airborne jet. The trial is being run jointly by the airport operator BAA, British Airways and the Department

of Trade. Mike Birchall, Heathrow's head of noise policy, said a human voice.

yesterday: "We are constantly looking at new ways to minimise the impact of aircraft noise. If successful, this technology has some exciting possibilities and we are pleased to invest in the Although the theory on

which the jetoblaster works.

known as anti-noise, has been known for some time, the technology has not until now existed for the reduction of noise within the engine itself. A British company, Cambridge Concept, believes it has produced a mini-version of a system already successfully used to control general cabin noise by vibrating the air like



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Modern males are at more risk than women, but are less likely to do anything about it

Men behaving badly pose lethal risk to their health

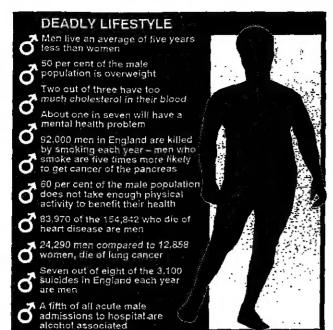
MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE Government is to launch a health campaign for men with the stark message that the modern male's lifestyle is killing him. Not only do men take greater risks in cars, on sports fields and at work, but they smoke and drink more than women and eat much more than in the past. Yet when they become ill they are less likely to go to the doctor.

The result is that men live an average of five years less than women and are more likely to die early from cancer and heart disease. They even suffer increasingly from breast cancer, the one part of the body where women are more prone to develop illness than men.

Men's macho attitude and lifestyle is behind their ill according to the Health Education Authority. "On the one hand men are more likely to become ill because of worries such as finding a role in life, employment, having somehwere to live, violence and personal relationships," the authority says in its Healthy Man's Action Pack. "On the other they feel that admitting to such worries by seeking medical help can be seen as a sign of weakness.

"Whether it's lumps in their genitals or the fact that they



comes to talking about what worries them and les likely to seek professional help. Instead of making positive health choices, men's thinking seems to be dominated by negative factors brought on by fear.

isolation and apathy." Plans for the campaign were drawn up last November after doctors met Health Department officials to review statisshowing that mens' unhealthy habits were thwarting targets to improve the

because it failed to make the

message sufficiently powerful. The drive by the Health Department, to be launched within the next few months, will seek to make men feel less macho and more responsive to their aches and pains. It will redouble efforts to make them stop smoking and drink less. Apart from reducing suffering, the campaign to make men healthier makes economic common sense. Because

they tend to be iller when they

eventually see their doctor, the

An early visit to the doctor can prevent a long stay in hospital. According to statistics from the Health Education Authority, half the male population is overweight, one in 18 is obese and two out of three have too much cholesterol in their blood — all factors which increase the risk of heart disease. The result is that 83,000 men die of coronary heart disease, compared with 70,000 women. Lung cancer kills more people than any other form of the disease and it is usually caused by smoking. Each year 24,000 men die of it, double the number of women. Skin cancer, now the second most common kind, is more usual among men and is more fatal to them than to women. The authority says this is because men are less likely to

82,500 are men and 76,000 are women. One in seven men will experience a mental health 2,700 of the 3,100 suicides in

use suncream, thinking it

"cissy" and unnecessary. Of

the IS8.600 who die each year

from all forms of cancer,

England are men. Heavy drinking is also a male failing. A fifth of all acute male admissions to hospital are associated with alcohol and a third of male casualty patients have blood alcohol above the legal driving limit.

A glimpse of the lifestyle

which leads to ill health

among men emerges from a

Macho refusal to admit weakness is foolish and dangerous



Under examination: men's macho attitudes make them less likely than women to visit their doctor when they are sick. When they finally do, their treatment costs more

survey conducted for the magazine Men's Health, published yesterday. This found that almost a half worrry about their future often, a

three quarters said they would rather work than look after the home. A third of men over 55 drink alcohol every day, two out of five eat junk food at least

two thirds think their weight is about right. National men's health week, sponsored by the magazine, runs until Sunday.

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thritis as surely as it does in women. It is not possible to

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If they have the will-power.

men can take exercise daily.

avoid becoming overweight

cut their fat intake, increase

dietary fibre and learn to

enjoy green vegetables. It would be comparatively

easy for even the most weak-

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Prince on TV

The Prince of Wales will describe the work of the Prince's Trust in a 30-minute BBCI programme on Sunday. The interview with Sir David Frost, filmed at Highgrove. the Prince's Gloucestershire home, marks the charity's

Gone fishing

A mineral company dug a

Orlando Figes, a history fel-low of Trinity College, Cambridge, won an apology at the High Court from the Times Higher Education Supplement, which had wrongly said that he was at the centre of plagiarism allegations over

Life in the brig

Fifty low-risk offenders will tomorrow board a floating jail moored at Portland in Dorset, Jack Straw announced. The £15 million HMP Weare is the first prison ship to be used since the hulks of the Victorian age. The five-deck vessel will house up to 400 prisoners.

Just the ticket

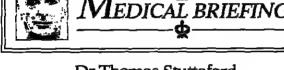
A traffic warden off work with

THE campaign to make male health as much an issue as Medica $ar{ ilde{L}}$ briefing

female health has to overcome the ingrained belief that it is a sign of weakness for a man to worry about it.

For centuries, men's work was not only arduous but dangerous: whether at sea, down the mines, in the foundries or on the hattlefield, men died young and violently, and were expected to accept this as

There was also an underlying attitude that it was un- a battlefield, but because they comfort of the home, while a future at work as uncertain contemporaries were being as any suffered by a merce-



Dr Thomas Stuttaford

blown to bits in some foreign

Men now die early not so

nary. In the past, the men who lived longest were the clergy. many of whom had sole often because they are shot on command, enjoyed the parson's freehold, had the chance manly to complain when are riddled with tensions and to live a settled family life and illness could be suffered in the anxieties in the office and face take exercise, and did not

work long hours.

and illness is still probably regarded as women's talk in the more traditional circles, this is changing. Just as it is seen increasingly as foolhardy, almost antisocial, for women not to have breast screening and cervical smears, so it must be seen as unreasonable and foolish for men not to have regular blood-pressure checks and electrocardiographs.

Men are to be encouraged to think of the diseases which specifically affect them and to consider, for instance, the damage which an idle, slothful life coupled with a high-fat

diovascular system. The less squeamish may also be persuaded to contemplate the possibility that they have small nests of malignant, or premalignant cells in their prostate and be persuaded. from the age of 50 onwards, to have the Prostatic Specific Antigen test to make sure that all is well.

But early detection of disease is not enough. Steps need to be taken to reduce the incidence. Obesity is as much associated with cancer of the prostate in men as it is with cancer of the breast in women. Men are also more likely to ation in bowel habit. suffer cancer of the lung and

A DECISION by English

Nature to downgrade protec-

tion at two internationally

important peat bogs has an-

They say the Government's wildlife advisers in England

are bowing to pressure from the compost industry and

allowing what remains of

Britain's ancient wild land-

Levingtons, which produces

peat-based compost from Thorne and Hatfield Moors,

near Doncaster, has rights to

remove peat predating their

listings as Sites of Special

scape to be devastated.

Scientific Interest.

gered environmentalists.

the howels than women, as well as having specific malignancies, such as cancer of the testes. They have to learn to feel their testes to detect any change in size, shape or consistency, in the way that women pay attention to their breasts.

Both sexes should understand the importance of immediately reporting any unfindings and any toward change in bodily function whether in swallowing, sudden increase in indigestion, loss of weight unexplained cough or hoarseness, or alter-

Obesity in men leads to an

damaged by peat workings. However, there remained

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4.000-year-old peat, including

ancient pollen and other mate-

rials important for climate

research, to justify their con-

tinued status as special sites.

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then they will be able to claim

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not from these special sites."

If they can get the listing

Advisers criticised

over peat bog move

By Nick Nuttall, environment correspondent

willed to follow a Mediterranean diet and to relish its wine — two to four glasses a day - fish, fruit and olive oil.

Britain's leading peat ecologists and a former scientist with the Government's wild-A1(M) life advisers, said yesterday that the areas proposed for downgrading had been badly

Levingtons in Ipswich, which acquired the business from Fisons, confirmed the move. He said: "To my knowledge, all of the areas concerned are ones we are currently working. The moves are only formalising the fact that in our view they do not match the criteria for SSSI status."

In total, about 5 per cent of Thorne, a 2,000 hectare SSSI. and 50 per cent of Hatfield, a 1,300 hectare SSSI, are proposed for de-listing.

NEWS IN EXECUTE

Big Mac in victory for small business

A cafe owner has won a battle with the burger chain McDonald's to call his cafe Big Mac. When Daren MacDonald gave the cafe, in Lye, in the West Midlands, his nickname, Big Mac, McDonald's Restaurants Ltd claimed that the words were a trademark. Mr MacDonald has now been assured that the company will not take legal proceedings. A spokesman said yesterday that the company had been concerned that Mr MacDonald might be seeking free publicity. Mr MacDonald said: Everyone knows me as Big Mac - it made sense to call the cafe after my nickname.

Phone crime

British Airways has banned staff from carrying personal mobile phones in Heathrow boarding areas because it says that some were being used to organise theft from luggage and duty-free supplies, and to give warnings when security staff approached.

High-wire fall

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A high-wire performer is in a spinal injuries unit after falling 30ft into a circus ring. Andrea Tomko also broke her ankles and wrists in the incident at Blackpool Tower in front of an audience of 400 after a descent from the big top roof went wrong.

twenty-first anniversary.

fishing lake for the television angler John Wilson free of charge in exchange for 60,000 tons of gravel he found beneath his garden. The presenter of Channel 4's Go Fishing said the lake, near Norwich. would have cost £200,000.

Apology to don

his book. A People's Tragedy.

a knee injury for more than a year has returned in an electrically driven tricycle. David Farnworth, 45, of Lancaster, said: "I loved being outdoors and my supervisor looked at ways of keeping me on as warden.



Alan Shaw a spokesman for Richard Lindsay, one of **Antiques** expert lied to police

By Stephen Farrell

A LEADING antiques restor-er accused of handling stolen Egyptian artefacts yesterday admitted lying to police. Jonathan Tokeley-Parry, 46, at first told detectives from Scotland Yard's Art and Antiques Squad that an Egyptian figure in a photograph of him at work was a cheap imitation. In fact it was a genuine artefact thousands of years old, Paul Dodgson, for the prosecution, told Knights-bridge Crown Court. Mr. Dodgson, glaimed that Mr. Dodgson claimed that Mr Tokeley-Parry "lied and lied and lied" throughout police interviews after his arrest.

Mr Tokeley-Parry, of Wink-leigh. Devon, told the jury he was forced to lie to protect his Egyptian supplier, Ali Ibra-him Farag. "I had no option given the situation I was in." He denies three charges of handling stolen goods, includ-

ing a bronze figure of the god Horus and false doors from the tombs of King Pepi and Hetepka between June 1992 and December 1993, Earlier he told the court Egypt had no moral right to ban the export of artefacts because it did not have the expertise to preserve them. The trial continues.



Melanie

hunt ends BY STEWART TENDLER

INVESTIGATIONS into the disappearance of Melanie Hall a year ago are to be closed for lack of clues, police Detective Superintendent Steve Livings, of Avon and Somerset police, said there

had been no sightings of Miss Hall. 25, after she left the floor of a Bath nightclub. It is feared that she is dead. A team of 60 officers has been reduced to six; if no new clues emerge soon, one will have responsibility for the file, which will remain open. Mr Livings and Miss Hall's parents yesterday appealed for information.





Aitken says disputed Ritz

Big Viac in victory for small business

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The court has been told that Said Ayas, a Saudi businessman and aide to Prince Mohammed, son of the Saudi

bill, in 1993.

on his connection with the

Saudi Royal Family, and that

he was involved in secret arms

As the second week of his

libel action began, he was

shown an internal registration

document from the hotel,

which he denied seeing before.

Dated September 17, 1993, it

read: "Account with Ayas party, room 626-627 VIP. Method

payment: Account Ayas

deals while a minister.



incline towards the latter." Charles Gray, QC, his coun-sel, had earlier asked the

judge if he might subpoena the

hotel owner, Mohamed Al

source for Granada and The

Guardian, to produce the document, Mr Aitken said the

Paris trip was a stopover en route for Switzerland where

he and his wife were taking

their daughter, Victoria, then

He said that he checked in

at the Ritz at 10.30pm only to discover a message from Mr

Avas that his wife and daugh-

ter had already set off for

former MP, who lost his seat at Thanet South at the election, told Mr Justice Popplewell that his wife. Lolicia, had paid the bill in cash.

But he said he had since failed to obtain another registration form, which under French law he would have signed, that would have made no mention of the Ayas account. There is a small mystery here, which is that the Ritz, for some reason, have not produced the document.

"I have asked myself many times over the years whether I king, reserved a room for his have been a victim of a set-up old friend Mr Aitken. The or a cock-up in the saga. I

told it was unnecessary.

George Carman, QC, for the defendants, that the credit card story was an invention, the hotel that his bill was to go to Mr Ayas. Mr Aitken said his wife joined him in Paris two days later and he left her there to pay the bill in cash from \$3,000 (£1,800) she had drawn from the safe at the family home in Westminster.

Mr Aitken said he subsequently discovered that his wife had inadvertently paid only half the Ritz bill, the rest having been wrongly trans-posed at the hotel to the account of Abdul Rachman, Mr Aitken then sent

cheque for £426 to Mr Rachman to cover the discrepancy. Only when The Guardian published its disputed article in April 1995, and Granada ran a World in Action programme called "Jonathan of Arabia", did he discover that the outstanding part had been paid by Prince Mohammed's treasurer



Jonathan Aitken and his wife, Lolicia, at the High Court. He admitted that she paid only half their hotel bill

Belgian mistress costs bank man 18 months in jail

AN ARCHITECT employed by the NatWest bank swindled £92,000 from his employers to pay for the upkeep of his wife and a Belgian mistress.

Wayne Simonds, 63, ran up enormous debts to keep the two women in stylish homes in Cheshire. Working with an accomplice, he claimed payment for bogus surveys and work that was never done.

While his unwitting wife, Sylvia, 55, stayed at home in Simonds, who earned £37,500 a year as a regional architect for Nat-West, flew to business meetings abroad with his Belgian mistress, who lived 15 miles away in Wilmslow.

The fraud was discovered in a routine investigation of his finances. Simonds lost his job. his mistress, Isobel Doyen, and had to move from Cheshire to Surrey and a £164-aweek job as a security guard. His wife, who had stood by him, works for a newsagent.

Judge Geake, sitting in Manchester Crown Court on Friday, jailed Simonds and his accomplice. Gary Sherman, of liford, east London, for 18 months each for conspiring to defraud NatWest. Both men

fence, said that Simonds met Miss Doyen in the early 1980s in Belgium. She came to England to be with him and he soon found he was supporting her and his wife in separate homes and living well beyond his means.

"He became torn between two women, both of whom he loved," Mr Marks said. "It is difficult to imagine that this defendant with his background would have behaved in the way he did but for the emotional and financial pressure which his relationship

with Miss Doyen brought." He operated the fraud by contracting work from City and Hearts Communications, which was run by his friend Sherman. Anthony Russell, for the prosecution, told the court the company was a sham created to provide bogus

The judge told the men:
"Both of you are plainly intelligent and resourceful men and men with your backgrounds do not normally resort to fraudulent activity without good reason. You were bound to be caught sooner or later."

Mr Marks said Simonds had ended his relationship with Miss Doyen three years

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Mandelson takes centre stage in committee review

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

the Government's policy-making machinery last night created a key role for Peter Mandelson, the campaign manager credited with masterminding Labour's election

The Prime Minister overlooked Mr Mandelson's non-Cabinet position to give him a place on 11 of the 20 ministerial committees, placing him at the heart of Cabinet discussion. Mr Mandelson's presence, even at a junior level, at discussions on important areas of Government policy makes him a pivotal player as the leadership tries to improve co-ordination of policy across

Mr Blair also gave John Prescott, the Deputy Prime Minister, a wide-ranging role at the head of four central committees, countering accusations that Mr Prescott would not have the influence of Michael Heseltine, his Tory

The list of Cabinet committees signals a number of changes of emphasis within Government, with the scrapoing of four committees from John Major's premiership. Committees on nuclear defence policy, competitiveness and on the co-ordination and presentation of Government policies have been disbanded. together with the ministerial sub-committee on terrorism.

The Government's commitment to its devolution proposals is indicated by the creation of a new Scottish and Welsh devolution committee, under the chairmanship of Lord irvine of Lairg, the Lord

Mr Blair's crusade for constitutional reform is also indicated in his chairmanship of a new constitional reform committee to prepare changes to the House of Lords. Also new are a sub-committee on the incorporation of the Euronean Convention of Human Rights in British law, chaired by Lord irvine, and a ministerial group on food safety, to be chaired by David Clark, the Chancellor of the Duchy of

Gordon Brown's influence at the centre of Government is emphasised by the decision to appoint him as chairman of the economic affairs committee, a post previously held by the Prime Minister, Mr Brown also chairs the public expenditure committee and the new welfare-to-work subcommittee charged with introducing Labour's employment

Mr Prescott's chairmanship of four of the committees makes him an influential figure across the areas of the environment, home affairs, local government and London. where the Government will introduce a new authority.

Ann Taylor, the leader of the Commons, has been appointed chairman of the legislation committee and sub-commit tees on health strategy and drug abuse. Harriet Harman, the Social Security Secretary who has special responsibility for women's issues, is chairman of the sub-committee on

Mr Blair is chairing four of the committees, on constitutional reform policy, Northern ireland, defence and overseas policy, and the intelligence services. His chairmanship of the Northern Ireland commit tee reaffirms his commitment to following Mr Major's lead in tackling the peace issue in the province.

The intelligence services committee, and the defence and overseas affairs committee. are traditionally headed by the Prime Minister.

Government figures made itclear yesten ay that issues dealt with under the four disbanded committees would be taken into the work of other established committees. The new lists show little

involvement in committee work by Cabinet members such as Clare Short, International Development Secretary. Gavin Strang, Transport Minister, and Jack Cunningham. the Agriculture Minister, who are restricted to committees focusing on their respective

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Europe boost for Brown's jobs crusade

CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

GORDON BROWN secured support from France and other European countries yesterday for his jobs action programme to boost employment across the European Union.

The Chancellor presented his programme for labour market flexibility and minimal regulation at a meeting with EU finance ministers at Luxembourg. The minsters also agreed to ployment chapter, underlining the need for flexibility. The subject is be conference in Amsterdam.

Mr Brown said he agreed with France on the need to put employment at the heart of EU business but made clear that that was no excuse for "fiddling or fudging" the criteria for a

Although both centre-left governments have put employment and social issues at the top of the agenda.

little ressemblance to the more regulated Socialist proposals backed by Lionel Jospin, the French Prime

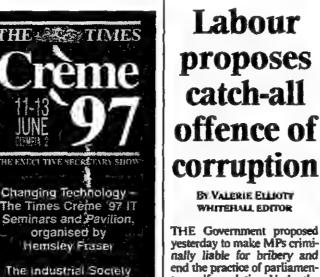
Nevertheless, in an attempt to show their determination to change EU priorities, Dominique Strauss-Kahn. Mr Brown's French counterpart. France praised his proposals as "wise and measured" while the Chancellor supported Paris's clear electoral commitment to massive job creation. The action plan includes the need has already made clear that it would be a key theme during Britain's presidency of the EU. The Chancellor wants a new task

welfare reform, and help for small and

medium-sized businesses. Mr Brown

force to build up small and mediumsized entreprises by helping them to cut bureacracy and reduce costs on cross-border trade. He also wants progress to complete the single market by removing barriers to firms from one country investing in another.





THE Government proposed yesterday to make MPs crimiend the practice of parliamentary self-regulation. Under the measures, set out in a consultation paper, those found guilty of corruption could be jailed for seven years.

As part of the "cleaning-up politics" initiative, a parlia-mentary committee of MPs and peers was announced yesterday to examine the question

of parliamentary privilege. Ann Taylor, the Leader of the Commons, said yesterday that she did not believe this would infringe an MP's freedom of speech in Parliament. The Government's tough

approach to sleaze was evident in the tone throughout the paper issued yesterday by Mr Straw. There would be a single new catch-all offence of corruption. The presumption of corruption has hitherto been limited to gifts to anyone employed by the Crown, the Government or a public body, from a person holding or seeking a contract with them. The paper suggests that the pre-sumption should apply to anyone where it could be shown that a person has received a gift "from someone who has an interest in the actions of the person in question".

The Government confirmed that for such a serious offence as corruption it was willing to contemplate a reversal of the traditional burden of proof in



Straw: has issued consultation paper

criminal cases, wherby a peruntil proved guilty. The paper says: "This is a serious step to take and requires full justification." But the Government argues that in circumstances where people are expected to act impartially, they should order their affairs in such a way as to avoid any impression of corrupt activity.

The onus would be on the person to justify any questionable payment made to them.

The paper makes clear that one of the proposals under discussion is that any board or senior managers from a British company who authorised the use of bribes abroad to win contracts would be liable to prosecution. The Home Office has set a

deadline of August 31 for any views or reaction to the proposals and the intention is to bring forward a Bill in the Queen's Speech in November next year. Lord Nolan, who chairs the

Committee on Standards on Public Life, yesterday formally welcomed the proposals and confirmed that he would recommend a new offence of misconduct in public life as part of his report on local As the legislation would not

be retrospective, it could not be used against former MPs against whom allegations were made in the past.

Blair sees danger of Tony Blair is facing his first real political test at the Amsterdam summit this weekend - and

there are still several major unresolved issues. His dilemma is how to demonstrate to other European countries

that the British approach has changed and to the domestic audience that he can produce His main impression so far

European agenda. He believes the Tory approach left zero goodwill towards Britain and argues that it is necessary now to offer an alternative vision of Europe, and nor just an alternative vision of Britain. Hence, Gordon Brown's job creation plan at yesterday's meeting of European finance ministers. This is partly intended to show that Britain wants to make a success of European co-operation, "cutting with the grain of what people want", rather than just being negative over new proposals. Mr Brown won agreement that the new employment chapter would take account of the need for flexibile labour markets and a trained and adaptable workforce. The key phrase, pushed recently by Mr Blair. is a "labour market respon-

Mr Blair is wary of talk of him quickly taking up a leadership role. He is well aware of the danger of Britain being seen to preach and of pointing his finger at other countries. There will be no Blair equivalent of the Thatcher handbag, nor any more talk of Britain being part of a trio, with Germany

sive to economic change"

preaching to Europe RIDDELL

ON POLITICS and France, in leading Europe. In particular, Mr Biair believes Britain should keep a low profile on monetary union since a strong public stand now could be counter-productive and ence in shaping whatever is from meeting other leaders is agred. He and Mr Brown the difficulty of shifting the will argue that their economic programme is necessary

> goes ahead or not, and is. indeed, essential if any monetary union is to succeed. His priority for Amsterdam is to secure a legal basis

> whether a single currency

6 There will be no Blair equivalent of the Thatcher handbag 🤊

for maintaining Britain's border controls which would withstand challenge in the European Court of Justice. This has been resisted by other countries, including the Dutch presidency, and is the main obstacle to agreement. This is linked with a desire to end the British opt-outs. Mr Blair believes "an opt-out mentality" reduces British influence. Instead, what Mr Blair would like is a system where Britain could join any new EU initiative when we want, rather than come in only if other countries agree. This is to ensure that any new

flexibility clause does not discriminate against those on the autside. Other British aims are to

ensure that police and the criminal law are kept as matters of intergovernmental co-operation, rather than brought within the remit of the Community and the European Court of Justice. several smaller states. also wants defence to remain primarily a matter for Nato, so the Western European Union should not be subordinate to the European Union. The national veto will also remain on foreign policy decisions, though there may be qualified majority voting on implementation, subject to objection by members. And Britain wants definite progress to be clear on quota nopping on fishing.

So Britain is not there yet. Mr Blair wants to avoid brinkmanship or raising the temperature too much at this stage. He regards the rows over fishing and BSE as object lessons in how not to conduct foreign policy. Mr. Blair sees some signs of movement. But as John Major pointed out yesterday in probably his farewell Commons speech as Leader of the Opposition, the question is what will the balance be in any bargaining. What will Mr Blair have to accept or concede at the summit in return for his main priorities? He naturally believes there will be a deal, but knows how important it will be in shaping both his domestic and international standing.

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Downey

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new look

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By Frances GIBB

SIR GORDON DOWNEY has expressed support for an inquiry into whether there should be curbs on MPs.

outside interests, even if this

means they should have high-

In an interview in Counsel,

er salaries.

Tory leadership: endorsements are counted up as MPs prepare to vote

How contenders stand on day of reckoning

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THE rival camps in the Tory leadership contest have spent the past 24 hours trying to win round the 57 MPs who have failed to declare their support for any of the five candidates.

William Hague, who is ex-pected to finish second tonight, enters the race with the most public endorsements. Kenneth Clarke, who is expected to top the poll, follows with 20 public endorsements but the level of his support is

Michael Howard, whose supporters claim he has edged ahead of Peter Lilley, has the fewest declarations of support. A total of 107 MPs, including the candidates, have gone public. It leaves 57 to determine the outcome of the first ballot. Some, however, have not been telling the truth: the

total number of MPs who have committed support pri-vately takes the total to 176, whereas the number of Tory MPs is 164.

The Candidates: John Redwood is the most uncompromising Eurosceptic. He is the only one to say "never" to a single currency. His most notable supporters include John Townend, chairman of rightwing 92 group, and Lord Tebbit.

Mr Redwood is standing on a populist Conservative platform and will seek to restore voters' trust in the party's stewardship of the health service by opposing the closure of popular local hospitals and major institutions such as St Bart's. Local education authorities will be ordered to direct more cash to the

classroom.

He is standing as the only "clean pair of hands", being the one candidate who was not on the bridge when the ship went down on May 1. He will apologise for broken promises on taxation. VAT on fuel, and negative equity.

Michael Howard, former

Home Secretary, seemed dead in the water after Ann Widdecombe's assault on his integrity. He refuses to list total number of endorsements. Mr Howard has fought didate on the right. He would seek to unite the party round his opposition in principle to a single currency because the present proposition is un-











Supporters: Eric Forth, David Willetts, David Amess, John Bercow, Sir Michael Colvin, Nick Gibb, Philip Hammond, Gerlad Howarth, Bernard Jenkin, Robert Key, Plers Merchant, Richard Spring, Robert Syms, Andrew Tyrie, John Whittingdale, Nigel Wallarson.

one of the most successful

Tories must skip a generation

to match the youthful appeal

He has support from across

the party with Tim Yeo on the

Total: 18. Expects: 28.

the magazine of the Bar Coun-

cil, the Parliamentary Commissioner for Standards says: "I certainly think the argument [that MPs should be paid more] is more balanced than I did some time ago. I was completely persuaded that MPs were able to have outside interests because they acquired outside experience that helped in the House."

But he goes on: "I now think there is quite a strong case for further consideration as to whether or not we would be better off with professional politicians without outside

nterests." Sir Gordon also says that "it has been frustrating" that he was unable to publish his completed report on the cashfor-questions allegations against MPs before Parlia-

ment was prorogued, before the general election. "It would have been more satisfactory had it been possible to see the report published beforehand," he savs. Sir Gordon is implementing measures to help those who entered the Commons at the general election to stick to the

rules and avoid the allegations of political "sleaze" that beset the last Parliament. A new Register of MPs' Interests is being compiled, and training and induction sessions are being held for newly elected MPs, to run alongside the advice Sir Gordon dispenses when approached.

He said: "There is a huge

intake of new Members and 1 will attempt to offer them advice in time to prevent Members from stepping across the line which might lead to complaints."

THE SUPPORTERS: WHO'S PROMISED TO BACK WHOM IN THE FIRST BALLOT

Supporters: Julian Brazier, Bill Cash, Howard Flight, Andrew Hunter, Oliver Letwin, Julian Lewis, Andrew Robathan, Lawrence Robertson, Marlon Roe, Sir Teddy Taylor, John Townend, David Wilsteine, John Wilstone, Bishales Wifetenton kinson, Nicholas Winterton.

Total public endorsements: 17. Expects 30 votes.

workable. He demonstrated

loyalty to John Major and

would expect the same in

return. His supporters argue

his strongest point is that

he is a formidable parliamen-

tarian who could match Tony

Supporters: David Curry, Quentin Davies, Darnian Green, John Gurrmer, Sir Edward Heath, Douglas Hogg, Tom King, Michael Jack, John MacGregor, Sir David Madel, Michael Mates, Sir Peter Lloyd, Keith Simpson, Ian Taylor, Peter Temple-Morris, Bob Walter, Shaun Woodward, Sir George Voling

Total declared: 20, Expects: 45

can beat Ken Clarke in the

Peter Lilley is fighting as

the unity candidate. Staunch

Thatcherites such as Gerald

Howarth are on his campaign

team, as are Sir Tim Bell and

final round.

Mr Lilley won respect for

handling of welfare reform.

He promises a thorough re-

view of policy. On Europe, he

rejects endless theological de-

bate over the single currency.

He is committed to rebuilding

Michael Howard; proposer, Sir Michael Spicer; seconder, Tim Collins.

Supporters: Graham Brady, James Cran, David Faber, Liam Fox, David Lidington, Francis Maude, Desmond Swayne, John Taylor, Simon Burns, Christopher Chope, Sir Richard Body, Andrew Lansley and David Maclean. Total: 15. Expects: 34.

James Arbuthnot, David Atkınson, Peter, Bottomley, Iam Bruce, James Clappison, Dr Michael Clark, Geoffrey Cliffon Brown, Stephen Day, Alan Duncan, Nigel Evans, Roger Gale, Cheryl Gillan, James Gray, Nick Hawkins, Julie Kirkbride, Eleanor Laing, Tim Loughton, Sir Nicholas Lyell, Humfrey Malme, John Maples, Matcolm Moss, Archie Norman, Richard Page, James Paice, David Prior, Jonathan Sayeed, David Tredinnick, Tim Yeo.

Total declared: 32. Expects: 39. Total declared: 32, Expects: 39

ames Arbuthnot, David Atkinson

debater in the Commons, is justified his wait-and-see

> Of all the candidates he has the most extensive experience of government, having held office since 1979. He has a record as an innovative minister, having introduced GP

stance. He now supports a post-war Chancellors. William Hague, is the only delay in Britain's entry. candidate for those MPs who support the idea that the

fundholding, and is seen as

left, Michael Ancram in the centre and David Heathcoat-Amory and Lord Parkinson on the Eurosceptic right. He has staked his claim on appealing to the party outside Westminster. Mr Hague promises a Blair-style revolution: a two or three-year policy review with radical reform of the party structure. He aims to double the membership in two

of Tony Blair.

years and put agents in 375 target seats by next year. On Europe he is opposed in He would make opposition to monetary union a cornerstone of the party's manifesto.

Blair at the dispatch box. Mr Lord Archer of Weston-Supermass membership of the Tory ing to the lost Tory voters. Howard's supporters believe Kenneth Clarke, a powerful As social security secretary, he is the only candidate who maintains that events have Time for a repeat of the drama in room 14

BY PHILLIP WEBSTER

POLITICAL EDITOR

COMMITTEE ROOM 14 in the Commons has been the scene of some of the most dramatic episodes in modern-day politics. Tory MPs were called there to hear the result of the first ballot for the leadership in 1990 four votes to win outright. It spelt the end of her premiership.

Today a far smaller number of Conservative MPs — the 164 survivors

of Labour's landslide - will file in to vote for the candidate they want to lead the party during its first period of Opposition for 18 years. The executive of the 1922 Committee

will meet at 9.30am. Thirty minutes later the MPs will assemble to hear Sir Archibald Hamilton, the 1922 chairman, give the results of the among party activists. They do not get a vote this time, but next time they

which to make their choice. Watched by a team of scrutineers, including representatives from each of the five camps, they will find a quiet corner, fill in their ballot paper and depart.

said by his supporters to be

the man Labour fears most.

He has popular appeal in the

country and among party

activists, and is depicted as the

man most capable of appeal-

Voting ends at 5pm. MPs will return to the committee room at about 5.25pm to hear the result. No one expects today's vote to be conclusive. simple majority — at least 83 — and a 15 per cent lead over the nearest challenger. If there is no outright

next Tuesday, for which nominations will close at noon on Thursday. In theory new contenders could enter the race. It was at this point that John Major and Douglas Hurd joined in 1990. This time it seems more likely that one or two will drop out.

Next Tuesday a candidate securing a straight majority would win. The 15 conclusive. If so the candidates finishing in first and second place will go

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ing a life sentence in Italy for

trying to assassinate the Pope in 1981. (Reuter)

Drug gang deal

Bogota: Colombia's three most powerful drug cartels have joined forces to halt legislation that would allow extradition of Colombian criminals, a move that the United States has repeatedly urged, the head of the national police reported. A fresh wave

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Whalers aim to ease hunt ban

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JAPAN and Norway are trying to "slip through unno-ticed" amendments relaxing the hunting of whales while the world's biggest wildlife protection organisation is distracted by arguments over elephant conservation, according to Greenpeace, the environmental lobby group.
The allegation was levelled

yesterday at the two countries as the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (Cites) began its meet-ing in Zimbabwe's capital. Tokyo and Oslo have listed

five proposals to remove the minke whale, grey whale and Bryde's whale from the Cites Appendix One, which regards the species as threatened with extinction and bans all inter-national trade, and to list them under a lesser category of restricted trade.

But Traffic, an organisation that carries out scientific research for Cites, has urged that the proposals be rejected. It found there were "serious shortcomings" in the ability of authorities in Japan, the largest market for whale meat, to control illegal imports.
Isabel McCrae, head of

Greenpeace's delegation here. said the proposals were "a strategic attempt to manoeuvre the Cites parties into undermining the commercial whaling moratorium".

Japan's tradition of hunting whales has made the country the villain of the conference for most European and American animal welfare groups. The country is also named in a proposal by Zimbabwe, Namibia and Botswana as the recipient for exports of tusks from their stockpiles.

Despite Greenpeace's warning, the African elephant is set



Norwegians haul a five-tonne minke whale, caught off their country's northern coast, onto their vessel

ings as the three southern African countries try to win a partial lifting of the ban on the

But organisers of the 139-member United Nations body are irritated at the huge media exposure devoted to an animal that Cites believes is not endangered. Nobutoshi Akao. the chairman of the Cites standing committee. urged delegates to base their deci-

sions "not on emotion but on scientific decisions". Izgrev Topkov. its secretary-general, offered journalists a prize for writing about a threatened species not yet publicised, a remark seen as a plea to limit coverage of the elephant.

Cites, which lists nearly 40,000 species of mammal reptile, bird, fish, insect and plant as threatened by international trading, has seen its meetings turn into a huge

attraction for media and wildlife charities. An unprecedented 300 foreign journalists are covering the meeting. Masai tribesmen, dressed in suits. are lobbying against a relaxation of the ivory trade, while conference folder, made from elephant dung paper, pushes the opposite view.

The conference's appetite for documentation has grown to four million documents since the last meeting in 1994. Cites officials say the voluminous German proposal to restrict trading of the beluga sturgeon in the Caspian Sea has exhausted its translation budget.

Cuba has proposed that it be allowed to sell its hawksbill turtles, prized for their shells. to Japan. Traffic acknowledges that Havana has imposed "very comprehensive" controls on fishing and trading of the hawksbill, classified as "critically endangered".

drug mafias. (AFP)

Lahore: A former Pakistani provincial minister, Iqbal Gurkhi, a candidate for Benazir Bhutto's Pakistan People's Party in a by-election for the Punjab provincial assem-bly, was killed in Baghbanpura by gunmen after a car chase. Police said: "It is not yet clear if the murder was an act of terrorism or motivated by some enmity." (AFP)

Punjab killing

Chechnya law

Moscow: President Maskhadov, the leader of the breakaway Russian republic of Chechnya, has imposed Sharia (Islamic law) in an effort to restore order on his lawless new nation (Richard Beeston writes). The move follows a spate of kidnappings and bombings in the northern

Airliner stolen

Moscow: Two men are on the run after stealing a 120-seat jet airliner from a Russian airport in the southern Urals and flying it 545 miles across the border to the former Soviet republic of Kazakhstan. The jet was taken using fake

Britain seeks EU code on arms exports

DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT AND EDWARD YATES

IN JAKARTA BRITAIN wants to persuade its European partners to sign a new code of conduct on arms exports to prevent weapons from reaching regimes that

might use them for internal

While Britain is currently ahead of France in the league table of global arms-exporters. Tony Lloyd, Minister of State the Foreign Office, said

standards in selling arms abroad and wanted the European Union to follow suit. Mr Lloyd's statement came

after Bishop Carlos Belo of East Timor, the Nobel Peace Prize winner, urged Britain to restrict the arms trade. British weapons are reported to have been used in the conflict in East Timor, which has suffered from insurgency since Indonesia invaded the former Portuguese territory in 1975.

Before meeting Robin Cook. the Foreign Secretary, last night, the bishop said in a ment proposed to raise its. Cafod Catholic aid agency: is properly regulated," he said the past might have been used

"Please. I beg you, restrict still further the conditions under which this trade is permitted. Do not sustain any longer a conflict which, without these sales, could never have been pursued in the first place, nor for so long."

However. Mr Lloyd said that, despite a desire to tighten up on arms exports, the Government supported a strong British defence industry.

"We are one of the major arms exporters in the world but that status carries with it a responsibility, an obligation. during a seminar on controlling the arms trade, which was organised by Saferworld and the British American Security Information Council. independent research organisations.

Mr Lloyd took up the theme first enunciated by Mr Cook in his policy mission statement in which he underlined the importance of human rights and the need to ensure that arms were not sold to regimes which had a record of abuse.

"We are all aware of conrns that some defence equip-

for internal repression," Mr Lloyd said. One of the most controversial arms sales from Britain was the export of Hawk jets to Indonesia, which has been accused of rights abuses in East Timor. Bishop Belo's visit to London comes at a time of increasing violence

Mr Lloyd said the Government would press for greater disclosure of information on arms exports and transfers by all countries, and would try-to strengthen the United Nations vesterday that the Govern- lecture sponsored by the to ensure that the arms trade ment exported from the UK in ons by including the sale of | documents and later found at

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DETAILS of a secret contingency plan by Israel's Hous-ing Ministry to construct another 100,000 homes for Jews in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip were published yesterday. Yediot Aharonot, the Tel

Aviv paper which obtained a copy of the secret document entitled The Territories -Overall Planning, said that the outline was recently sub-mitted to Meir Porusit, the Deputy Housing Minister, who "instructed that the plan be shelved for the time being and be used as a contingency plan in case the peace process is stopped".

The outlined construction would more than triple the number of existing homes, estimated at 40,000, in the existing 144 Jewish settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip, where the Palestinians are hoping to create an independent state. The present number of Jewish settlers

Last night, Moshe Eilat, the

Housing Ministry spokesexistence but claimed that it would remain dormant as long as peace talks with the the peace talks blow up, we can discuss it, but as long as there are negotiations - and we hope there will be - there is no reason to discuss such

things," he said.

The leak coincided with confirmation that Israeli-Palestinian talks, which resumed on Sunday in Egypt for the first time in nearly three months, will continue under Egyptian diplomatic auspices in Israel on Thursday.

Osama el-Baz, the senior Egyptian envoy, is struggling to arrange a summit between President Mubarak of Egypt. Yassir Arafat, the Palestinian leader, and Binyamin Netanyahu, the Israeli Prime Minister. The Palestinians have been demanding a halt to the construction of the settlement of Har Homa in Jerusalem as

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ports

Kohl plans huge property sale to fill budget hole coalition together. The Bavarian Christian Social Union is calling

property to a British or American

investment bank, but the most

likely customer is regarded as the

Veba energy concern, which has its

own property subsidiary. One sale

has already been agreed with Veba

this year: a 58 per cent government

stake in a company with about

The notional price of DM5 bil-

39,000 flats was sold to it.

beset with rumours of resignation and imminent collapse, is ready to embark on the biggest property sale since the war in an attempt to prop up the budget.

The sale of 110,000 flats and of government stakes in building societies that hold way over another 300,000 is expected to be clinched with one purchaser - the Handelsblatt business daily tipped an energy company — and would raise DM5 billion (El.8 billion). That, with the sale of DM10 billion of Telekom shares and new sayings, might just be enough to close the holes in this year's budget. But even if the gamble works, it Even the disposal of 410,000 flats — with the sale of DM10 billion in Telekom shares - will not help Germany to meet the Maastricht criteria for the euro, Roger Boyes writes from Bonn

will not help Germany to come closer to meeting the Maastricht public deficit target of 3 per cent of gross domestic product. Next year's budget, although not critical for entry to economic and monetary union, is already putting new strains on the Government.

According to some reports, Bonn has been considering selling its

the dilapidated nature of many of the state holdings. The buildings include disused airport hangurs. marshalling yards. Russian barracks in eastern Germany and polluted training grounds. Repair, renewal and clean-up costs would depress the value. So too would the long-standing rental contracts which would have to be honoured by the buyer. Even so, the scope of the proposed property deal is huge.

The sense that the Government is on the cusp of disaster was reinforced yesterday by reports, promptly denied, that the Chancelfor threatened to resign no fewer

negotiations with his coalition partners. Such threats are not new and are not usually taken very seriously: they are regarded as shots across the bows of the small Free Democratic Party (FDP), which is refusing to accept any tax rises.

The FDP, hovering only slightly above the 5 per cent minimum needed for parliamentary representation, has the most to lose from an early election. Nonetheless, to issue four ultimatums in a week would suggest, if true, that Herr Kohl is no longer in command of

He is certainly finding it difficult to hold the three horses of the Bonn more and more loudly for a delayed start to the euro; the FDP is refusing tax rises and has cut off the only reliable way of meeting monetary union targets; and even Herr Kohl's Christian Democratic Union (CDU) are complaining about the incompetent manage

ment of public finances. The Chancellor seemed to acknowledge the problem in a private speech to CDU deputies last week: "I know what it is like. You go back to your constituency parties and ey ask you just one thing - what is this crap you are getting up to in Bonn?" Herr Kohl has been countcoalition, an economic recovery next year, a job-creation drive and a Cabinet reshuffle - removing Theo Waigel, the Finance Minister, from the firing line - after the summer break. These calculations are beginning to look complacent. Political advisers are now urging the Chancellor to consider the previously unthinkable: a grand coalition with the Social Democrats

after a divorce from the FDP. Such a coalition, in theory, could agree on increases in petrol tax and value-added tax. But it would be of only limited appeal to the Social Democratic Party (SPD), which scents the Government's weakness.

Dilemma

for Jospin

as the Left

pursues

pay rise

BY ADAM SAGE

LIONELJOSPIN, the French

Prime Minister, came under

concerted pressure from his

Communist allies yesterday to

raise the minimum wage and

shelve plans to modernise the

financially troubled state

The Communist action sig-

nals the difficulties facing M

Jospin as he tries to find a

path between the conflicting

demands of French labour

His election win has spur-

red hopes of wage rises

among workers frustrated by

four years of austerity from

centre-right Governments.

But with 4.2 million people

employed by the state sector.

any wage rise would inflate

the public deficit and make it

more difficult for France to

meet the criteria for economic

The need to appease Bonn's

fears on a single currency

without disappointing his left-

wing electorate explains M

Jospin's delay in setting a

Robert Hue, leader of the

Communist Party, which has

Socialist-led Government, vants a 10 per cent rise in thi

minimum wage. That would

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European borders blocked by lorry drivers

BY ADAM SAGE IN PARIS AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF

> **HUNDREDS of British lorry** drivers were caught up in a European day of action yesterday by their continental counterparts demanding better pay and conditions, with traffic disrupted from Germany to Portugal.

French drivers, often cooperating with European neighbours, parked lorries across the Spanish, Italian, German, Belgian and Swiss borders. Spanish drivers blocked three crossings with France and one with Portugal as part of the push to secure new European Union rules limiting working hours and standardising benefits.

The French federation of road haulage companies, representing employers, denounced what it called an illegal "eurostrike". It said the authorities had refused pleas to intervene. "Once again, we've seen that the illegal use of force is the best way of pushing through demands."

Most blockages in the 24hour stoppage were in France. British hauliers were prevented from boarding ferries at Cherbourg in Normandy and drivers were also carrying out Operation Escargot — travelling at a snail's pace to hold up foreign lorries.

Near Strasbourg in eastern France, French and German drivers set up a barrier on a bridge over the Rhine. More than 35 main roads, including the Al0 motorway outside Paris, were also blocked, and at the Mont Blanc tunnel, linking France and Italy, about 500 foreign lorries were



Lorries choke the Franco-Swiss border near Basle yesterday as part of the Europe-wide day of action by drivers' unions who want a maximum working week of 48 hours

held up. French lorry drivers were allowing their compatriots through, but were stop-ping all foreign drivers.

However, one British driver. Mick Rhodes, broke through the blockade in his 40-ton lorry after being held up for more than 12 hours. Mr Rhodes, 34, from Bradford, said: "I inched my way near to the front of the queue and through, I just put my foot down and took a run at it. They tried to put the barrier down again, but I wasn't

stopping John Daure, the managing director of Bradford-based Sanita Shipping, for whom Mr Rhodes works, said: "The French are holding everyone

when the barrier come up to to ransom — again. It's crazy, let some French lorries Fortunately, this dispute is due to last 24 hours only.

The most serious recent French stoppage happened last November, when many British lorry drivers were stuck for more than ten days, while another blockade hitting many companies' profits also happened earlier this

The unions claim that drivers often spend 70 hours a week on the road, and want the EU to impose a 48-hour maximum working week. Militant French drivers seized the opportunity to renew claims dating from their 12day strike at the end of last year when they set up dozens of roadblocks and delayed

Channel ports. French unions said that they were striking for a "harmonisation" of working conditions across Europe. They also demanded the implementation of a French government decree designed to ensure their members are paid during rest time.

The French haulage employers said the decree was "totally unrealistic"

cide". The decree was signed at the end of the November strike, which left British road haulage companies claiming £5 million compensation from the French authorities because of their failure to lift the road blocks. Claims from other European operators, including German and Span ish, total £85 million.

month to more than Fr 7,000 M Hue's call was echoed by Louis Viannet, head of the Communist-led General Works Confederation, which has the ability to paralyse France as in December 1995. Yesterday, he suggested that he was prepared to back wage demands with strike action.

Although M Jospin has diluted his campaign pledge to increase salaries, he is likely to accept Communist demands for a higher minimum wage. The markets worry how much that rise will be.

The Communist presence at the centre of public life was underlined when Jean-Claude Gayssot. 52, the Transport Minister, said he wanted to halt reform of the SNCF railway network which lost Fr15.2 billion last year, and the troubled state airline. Air France, which is seeking privatisation



Hue wants a 10 per cent minimum wage increase

David's lips to give museum kiss of life

FROM RICHARD OWEN

THE normally moribund world of Italian art museums and galleries has been startled by an imaginative scheme by the Palazzo Pitti museum in Florence to market a range of 500 craftsman-made items inspired by some of the greatest Renaissance masterpieces. Despite critics' horrified

cries of "vulgar commercialisation", from the end of this month visitors to the gallery will be able to examine and handle the velvet cap worn by Raphael in his self-portrait; the pearl pendant that adorns the neck of Maddalena Strozzi of the Florentine banking family, in Raphael's painting of her; and a dinner service copied from plates and dishes set out on the table in Pontormo's The Supper at Emmaus. One of the most soughtafter, and oddest, items is likely to be a marble repro-



Michelangelo's David will go on sale next year Michelangelo's David. Art

lovers will not be able to buy the objects until next year. when the rules governing the management of Italy's staterun art museums are due to be in 1993 but still not implemented provides for the liberalisation of museum regulations, allowing gallery managers to open restaurants, duction of the sensual lips of cafés, bookshops, souvenir

shops and other profit-making enterprises. At present, as tourists are often dismayed to discover, such facilities are either limited or absent in

Walter Veltroni, the former Communist Culture Minister who is also Deputy Prime Minister, has said: "All you can get in many museums is a badly produced postcard." He has encouraged private investment in the under-resourced museum sector, one of Italy's main earners of tourist revenues, and has vowed to push the delayed law through parliament by next year at the

Officials in Florence said that prices for the Renaissance collectors' items had not been set. The Palazzo Pitti, which with the nearby Uffizi Gallery contains one of the world greatest collections of Renaissance art, hopes that sales will bring in extra annual income of nearly £100 million, according to Corriere della Sera.

Other items to be made available include crystal perfume-holders inspired by Leonardo Da Vinci's Annunciation; white silk shoes of the kind worn by the figure of Spring in Botticelli's tableau of the same name and a range of napkins and tablecoths based on the floral background behind his Venus, and the glass goblet that is held up by Caravaggio's Bacchus.

Airstrip under scrutiny for the bounty

British lorries at most cross-

Wellington: Pitcairn Island is debating joining the avia-tion age by building an airstrip, Chris Shute, the Deputy Governor, said yesterday. Pitcairn, 1,340 miles southeast of Tahiti, will be Britain's last interest in the Pacific region when Hone Kong is returned to China at the end of the month.

Mr Shute, who is also First

Secretary at the British High

Commission in Wellington, has just returned from a visit to the 50 people who remain on Pitcairn. He said that an airstrip would allow the island to attract affluent tourists. The islanders are descendants of some of the crew who in 1789 mutinied against Captain Bligh on board HMS Bounty. Eight mutineers settled on the island with a group of Polynesian women after visiting Tahiti. (AFP)

The Rock to ask for 'Guernsey' status

FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN NEW YORK

GIBRALTAR'S Chief Minister, Peter Caruana, will ask for a new "Guernsey-like status" for the colony at a meeting next month with Robin Cook. the Foreign Secretary. Mr Caruana, who was in

New York to address the United Nations decolonisation committee, said the formal proposal would be made to Mr Cook next month. The aim was "to strengthen and modernise Gibraltar's historic ties to the United Kingdom, as well as to give to the people of Gibraltar their right to self-

determination". Although full details have vet to be worked out the change would spell an end to Gibraltar's 284-year legal status as a British Crown Colony. Responsibility for the Rock's affairs would shift from the Foreign Office to the Home Office, and the Governor's post would be abolished. Mr Caruana said: "Our aim is to take Gibraltar into a new era and to end the anachronism of its present situation. We wish to move from being a British colony to being a British dependency, in the manner of Guernsey.

According to Mr Carnana. both Douglas Hurd and Malcolm Rifkind, the former Conservative Foreign Secretaries. had welcomed the idea when put to them informally. Yesterday Mr Caruana re-

vealed that the Labour Government had also reacted "very positively". He said:
"We expect them to treat it as an important component of their general package of constitutional reforms."

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FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN NEW YORK

AMERICAN health authorities are holding emergency meetings this week to consider how to meet the threat of a new strain of the Staphylococcus aureus bacterium, found to be resistant even to vancomycin, the powerful antibiotic of last resort.

Although the strain has not yet been detected in America. its recent appearance in a four-month-old boy in Japan has caused considerable alarm in the United States.

S. aureus, "golden staph", is potentially the most serious of all infections acquired in hospital. Before antibiotics. S. aureus was one of the most deadly germs. It still kills about 70,000 American patients a year. It is most commonly spread between patients from skin to skin, usually by hands of hospital staff.

The excessive use of antibiotics appears to have made bacteria more resistant than ever, particularly in intensive care units. Dr Alexander Tomasz, an antibiotics expert at New York's Rockefeller University, said: "The intensive care unit is the most infectious place in the world when it comes to antibiotic-

resistant bacteria." Studies have found that 39.4 per cent of "golden staph", which causes blood infections and pneumonia, is

with 31.2 per cent elsewhere in hospitals; 79.7 per cent of S. epidermis bacteria. which cause skin infections, are resistant to methicillin in intensive care units.

Antibiotics kill bacteria by

infection is severe antibiotics

Infections resistant to anti-

biotics are particularly liable

to cause fatalities in patients

debilitated by age or some

other condition or drug that

has suppressed their natural

immune system. In hospitals every effort is made to prevent

infection from spreading by

strict barrier nursing of the

patient and by frequent

checks on all the staff to make

certain that they have not

units to methicillin, the stan-

dard antibiotic, compared

Bacteria prove fatal to the old and infirm

By Dr Thomas Stuttaford

are needed.

THE S.aureus bacterium is responsible for many wound infections in hospital, as well as the boils, carbuncles and Staphylococci may also cause bronchitis, pneumonia, osteomyelitis, gastroenteritis and can even attack the sac around the heart, causing a fatal endocarditis.

Usually in healthy patients staphylococcal infection is localised to a boil or abscess and the patient recovers once

demolishing their protective cell wall. To fight back, germs have developed a gamut of tricks, including ways to make their cell walls impenetrable. This was what Japanese doctors found recently, at Tokyo's Juntendo University. Keiichi Hiramatsu, a bacteriologist, reported a new strain of golden staph" with walls so thick that even vancomycin, the formidable "super-antibi-

Dr Hiramatsu was able to overcome the strain only by using arbekacin, an antibiotic which is not licensed for use in Western countries. He found that the new strain's cells produced wall-building proteins much faster than ordinary cells, thus equipping them to withstand and survive an antibiotic battering.

London: The Public Health

otic", failed to penetrate them.

Laboratory Service says that vancomycin-resistant S. aureus has not yet been detected in Britain. "If it is confirmed, it is a serious development" a spokesman but there are other drugs that can treat it."



Sitaram Kesri, of the Con-gress Party in India, in an ebullient mood last night as his party members cast their vote for the party president. It is only the third time in 50 years that such an election has been held. In the past,

Indian party picks leader

the party leader was simply anomited by the most popu-and therefore most

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on Thursday. (AP)

powerful — Congress mem-bers. But this year the feder-al. Election . Commission ordered all parties to hold organisational elections. Mr Kesri is expected to win when results are announced

150 killed in China landslide

Beijing: Four villages in China's southwestern Sichuan province were swept away by a landslide, leaving at least 150 people dead, a local official

said yesterday. We no longer have any hope of recovering survivors," said Gao Mingile, a Meigu county official. He added that three people had been con-firmed dead and 147 were missing after the landslide struck in the early hours of last Thursday.

The torrent of mud and rocks turned parts of the four villages in the mountainous Yangshanzhou region into a lake of mud, he said. Eightyfour houses were destroyed and 223 damaged, he added. Those left homeless had been moved to shelters in neigh-

bouring areas. (AFP) ☐ Delhi: An estimated 50 people were killed yesterday in a series of landslides in the Indian Himalayan state of India said. Pawan Kumar Chamling, the state's Chief Minister, said the death toll was likely to rise because an unknown number of people

vie to pick tobacco trial jury BY TUNKU VARADARAJAN JURY selection in the "tobacco trial of the century", in which

Lawyers

a former air stewardess is suing the makers of Marlboro cigarettes for \$5 billion (£3 billion), is proving to be a sociologists' dream-come-true. Lawyers for Norma Broin. the plaintiff, are battling their counterparts from the tobacco industry in an attempt to

secure a jury most amenable to their particular case. In their ideal sociological "photofit", the former have expressed a preference for mothers who have been to college. The latter have plumped for the white American male.

Mrs Broin argues that years of passive smoking in flight cabins gave her a virulent form of lung cancer, while the tobacco industry ripostes by saying that there is no link between cancer and the inhalation of other people's smoke. Her lawyer, Stanley Rosenblatt, believes that since college-educated mothers are likely to have a "better understanding of the dangers of smoking" as well as a distate for large corporations, their case would be served better by such "types" on the jury.

Lawyers for Philip Morris, however, want a majority of white men on the jury, preferably specimens with little formal education. A spokesman said: "Such men are likely to have an instinctive understanding of the key issues here. They are not viscerally against freedom, personal choice, profits and a good cigarette.

Not surprisingly, jury selection is proving arduous for Robert Kaye, the Dade County circuit judge, who is conducting the trial. So far, he has pleased the tobacco industry by dismissing a number of nurses from the jurors' pool, as they might be expected to have an "anti-tobacco bias". As if to compensate for the disappointment in the Broin camp, he also dismissed a white man in his thirties who described the lawsuit as

'ridiculous". The judge, a former smoker courthouse and jury room will signs taken down once the trial commences. He said: "l don't want those signs up there. They're coming down prejudicial."

Judge Kaye added, however, that jurors, and those attending the trial, would be informed verbally that smok-

were feared buried. (Reuter) ing was not permitted. Kennedy says sorry

By Tunku Varadarajan

JOSEPH KENNEDY, the son of the late Robert Kennedy, has apologised publicly to his former wife for failing to

make their marriage work. Speaking at a Democratic Party rally in Salem, Massachusetts. Mr Kennedy, who is battling to secure his party's nomination for the Governor's post next year, also apologised on behalf of his brother, Michael, who has been accused of sex with an

under-age babysitter. More than 2,000 astonished delegates were told by Mr Kennedy: "I had a marriage that didn't work out. I can't tell you, and I can't put into words, how sorry I am about that. I said things that I wish I'd never said, and I did things I wish I had never done. I've told you, I've told Sheila [his former wife], I've told anyone who cared, how sorry I am.

The theatrical outpouring of regret comes only weeks after publication of a book by Sheila Rauch Kennedy, his former wife, casigating his efforts to be granted an annulment by the Roman Catholic

Church. Mr Kennedy, a congress-man, said of his brother: "On the matter of [Michael], I am so very sorry, so very sorry. for what has happened to the babysitter's family. I extend to them the deepest apology that I can say. I love my brother, I will always love my brother, and I will stand with my brother.

Michael Kennedy has been accused by Marisa Verrocchi, now 19, of having had an affair with her when she was 14 years old. The daughter of a family close to the Kennedy clan, she had then been work ing as a habysitter with Mi-chael's children.

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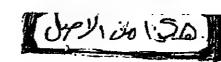


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Bolivia's old foes make up to govern

By GABRIELLA GAMINI SOUTH AMERICA CORRESPONDENT

A FORMER right-wing military dictator yesterday shook hands with his one time foe, a former leftwine guerrilla movement activist, to form the unlikely coalition which will make up Bolivia's next

General Hugo Banzer Suárez, 71, who leads a small, right-wing party and won a majority in the eneral election, struck an alliance with Jaime Paz Zamora, the former president and leader of the Movement of the Revolutionary Left, during a "national reconciliation" ceremony in La Paz yesterday. The old rightwinger and the former revolutionary have decided to get together in an effort to unite the chaotic and poverty-strick-en country," said a Westem diplomat.

Señor Paz Zamora was part of an underground left-wing movement opposing General Banzer's military regime. He has denounced the general several times in the past for ordering his assassina-tion. But the former revolutionary, who says the Latin American Left has to follow European socialists, has unexpectedly decided to join forces with the general because "he has also reformed his

General Banzer, who Bolivia 26 years ago and whose seven years in office were marked by brutal repression, has made a comeback via the ballot box. He won a 25 per cent majority from the country's 3.2 million electorate. capturing the "protest vote" against the liberal reforms of the outgoing President Sanchez de Lozada

Both Señor Sánchez de Lozada and Señor Paz Zamora won ló per cent of

During General Banzer's dictatorship between 1971 and 1978, an estimated 200 people were killed for opposing his junta.

Brutality is law in aftermath of Sierra Leone coup

to be caught by one of Free-town's hastily improvised anti-looting squads yesterday. Life is cheap in Sierra

Leone's capital, and the city's remaining populace seemed to express little beyond passing curiosity when the man was shot dead on the spot, and only mild surprise when his body had its hands, feet and legs cut off. The dismembered ensemble was left on display in the Street as a warning

The new Armed Forces Revolutionary Council (AFRC) authorities, a tense alliance of regular army officers and former Revolutionary United Front (RUF) rebels, is trying to bring the capital under control after the coup two weeks ago. its task has not been aided by the continuing flux of people abandoning their homes in attack or rebels entering the city after years in the hush. The fact that all Freetown's prisoners were released in the turmoil added to their fears.

"Most of these men are dead now," a major said of the liberated prisoners, "Anyone we stop in uniform who cannot tell us his army number. we shoot straight away as they are robbers impersonating soldiers. Some are still hiding in the cemeteries, however."

But many of the worst crimes are being committed by regular troops: it seems that the former RUF rebels are more disciplined than the army. In one incident in Freetown, 15 regular soldiers were burnt to death in vegetable oil after their vehicle lost control and crashed into power lines in Savage Square



Life is cheap in Freetown, where many crimes are committed by regular troops, Anthony Loyd reports

while they were being chased by an anti-looting squad. The falling cables then killed by electric shock the survivors of the crash, drenched as they

ere in their haul of oil. The civilians who have chosen to stay express mixed feelings towards the coup leaders. Most voice suspicion about the new military junta, yet are united in their hope

6 All this will be dust in days if Nigeria tries anything. Things don't

that the coup may be the only chance to finish the war with the RUF: merely a bitter stage in the road to democracy.

look good 9

A sense of humour seems to be as strongly entwined as barbarity in Sierra Leone's national psyche and is usually present in any political discourse. Monday's edition of For di People, the capital's leading independent newspaper, published a new version of Onward Christian Soldiers for its readers, giving a clear indication of the degree

of civil cynicism towards the latest situation. One verse

At the blast of rockets Presidents did flee! Onward People's Army On to victory! Corporal Foday Sankoh Told you to unite, Raping, looting, burning

All throughout the night!

Everyone shares the opinion that a military intervention by Nigeria to restore the ousted President Kabbah will lead to a greater conflict. The AFRC fighters are extremely well armed and determined to hold the capital at all costs.

"We are prepared to negotiate, but we are not, under any circumstances, prepared to give Freetown to the Nigerian forces," Commander Leather Boots, one of the coup leaders, said yesterday.

A contemporary of the coup leader, Major Johnny Paul Koromah, Commander Leather Boots was a man of imposing stature. He tapped his walking stick periodically on the toe caps of a magnificant pair of cowboy boots. By Freetown's standards his name was conservative. Two other commanders are called Mosquito and Superman.

"We outnumber and outgui the Nigerians," he said. "We hold all the high ground. We will not attack them pre-



A man armed with a machinegun patrols the tense streets of Freetown yesterday

emptively, but if they attack us, they shall be very sorry. And at this moment all we are receiving is reports of Nigerireinforcements moving into Sierra Leone. This is not, and never shall be, a Nigerian colony." Behind him a group

of his men clustered on a pickup truck. Armed with every type of infantry hardware, each man wore wraparound sunglasses. A small monkey chartered away on the vehicle's roof, perched on top of a mounted grenade launcher.

"You see all this around you?" Commander Leather Boots asked, pointing at the capital's coastal sprawl. "This will be dust within days if Nigeria tries anything with us. And at this moment things are not

Claim by rebels for money to step down

FROM JAMES BONE

SIERRA LEONE'S coup leaders have asked for cash in return for standing down, a member of the deposed Gov-ernment said yesterday.

James Jonah, the country's Nations, said the request for a "monetary payment" of an undisclosed amount was made in negotiations on the restoration the elected President Kabbah, overthrown in a mili-

tary coup last month. The internationally recognised Government believes the coup, launched by lowranking army officers headed by Major Johnny Paul Koromah, has been "hijacked" by the Revolutionary United Front (RUF), which signed a peace agreement with President Kabbah last November after a six-year guerrilla war.

The military junta allowed RUF fighters into the capital. Freetown, to repel a Nigerian attack and, in the words of one diplomat, the "RUF is now calling the shots".

Mr Jonah said President Kabbah had accepted the initial British-Nigerian-US initiative to end the rebellion by accepting the coup leaders' demands to redress army grievances and granting them amnesty. But the RUF apparently vetoed the plan.

He said President Kabbah would now co-operate with Ghana's effort to negotiate his return to power, because he feared heavy casualties if Nigeria and other West African countries launched a military assault. President Kabbah has emphasised, however, that he cannot accept a settlement that does not restore the

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Congo fighting traps Oxfam staff

BY STEPHEN FARRELL

BRITISH aid worker trapped in Congo Brazzaville told yesterday how Western charity staff became caught up in a coup attempt, with fighting between government and l soldiers raging around his hotel for days.

Richard Bartlett, 27, a Cambridge graduate and former Royal Engineer, was among four Oxfam engineers sent to Brazzaville to set up water supplies for refugees fleeing Kinshasa, capital of the neighbouring former Zaire, now the Democratic Republic of Congo. Instead, they found themselves in the middle of Congo Brazzaville's own civil war after a militia seized the centre of the capital in an attempted coup against President Lis-

souba at the end of last week. Mr Bartlett, whose botanist great-great-grandfather. Sir John Kirk, explored Central Africa with Dr David Livingstone in the 1860s, is trapped

in the Cosmos Hotel with Jaap Vermuelen, a Dutch Oxfam worker. Two other staff, Phil Attwell. 56, an experienced aid worker from Bootle, Merseyside, and Inamel Haque, a Bangladeshi, are in the charity's office, nearer the fighting.

phone yesterday. Mr Bartlett said the city had been cut in half by rival forces. "It is only a matter of time before the hotel gets hit. We are desper-

French fly out foreigners

Paris: French troops yester-day began evacuating foreign nationals from heavy fighting in Brazzaville, flying 450 people out of Congo Brazzaville to neighbouring Gabon (Adam Sage writes). The move was ordered by Paris after reports that hotels had

been hit by mortar shells. Witnesses said bodies of fighters and civilians littered the streets after the latest ately hoping French or American troops will be able to cross the front lines to reach us."

He said gunmen with AK47s came into the hotel on Sunday to tell them that they were under rebel control. They took our four-wheel transport."

He said his group were on the beach when fighting began on Thursday. They had been

yesterday. The fighting, be-

tween President Lissouba's forces and followers of Denis Sassou Nguesso, his Marxist predecessor, flared in the

run-up to June 27 elections. The first of 800 French troops sent as reinforcements for the 400-strong contingent already in Brazzaville arrived from their Central Airican Republic base yesterday.

plies for refugees crossing the River Congo north of the city. The intense fighting forced them to retreat to the hotel. Mr Bartlett said the United

Nations tried to get them out on a convoy on Thursday but the lorry sent to get them was lan Bray, of Oxfam, said all four had worked for the chari-

ty for only a few weeks. "It is ironic that, until a few days ago. Brazzaville was the safe city for people fleeing Kinshasa. Now the situation is reversed. The best policy is for them to keep their heads Mr Bartlett's father John, a

consultant neurologist at King's College Hospital. London, said he and his wife. Cilla, were proud of their eldest son. "We are just hoping he gets out of this safely."

Kinshasa: A shell fired during fighting in Congo Brazzaville landed in central Kinshasa. No one is believed to have been hurt. (Reuter)

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Traditional bakers declare war on 'bagel vandals'



Sugary confections are passed off as bagels, purists say

From Tunku Varadarajan in new york

NEW YORK'S bagel purists, who yield little to wine snobs in the art of being sniffy, are rumbling their way to fullblawn revolt.

Tired of seeing their art demeaned by "fake bagels" made with such ingredients as apples, brown sugar, cinnamon, walnuts, raisins and vanilla, the city's traditional bagelsmiths are fighting back. There is talk of a nationwide campaign for "real bagels". Jim Robertson, the owner of Bagel Oasis in the Queen's district, describes the latest bagel-come-lately (*Dutch Apple Bundt-Cake Streusel Ba-

gel" sold by a sandwich chain)

in the following glowering terms: "That's not a bagel: that's an abomination." Mr

Robertson, and other traditional bagel makers, are appalled by the spongy, sugary confections that "bagel vandals" seek to pass off for the real thing.

Traditionalists insist that un wais bagel should have a slightly sour taste, and be made by boiling the sour-dough before baking. "These new bagels don't even have a crust," cries Kitti Phongtankeul, the Thailand-born owner of Hot Bialys, another New York bagel legend. Mr Phongtankeul blames the de-

cline on a new menace called the rack oven. He says: "Those ovens steam bagels rather than boil them. It saves time. but believe me, it makes a lousy bagel."

The oven was introduced in the early 1980s. Yuppies queued to get their fix, and the rack oven, which can steam and bake enormous batches. was seized upon by profithungry bakers. The result is a pully, over-sized product, with little charm and chewiness. Walt Schierioth, of the American Institute of Baking, says: "Today's bagels are the size of Texas. What happened to the

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Let's (lo lunch

Jason Cowley charts how things have changed for the generation of women for whom the midday meal is a vital part of the day

LADIES WHO LUNCH

once a byword for winsers and pearls, for worthy charity eatherings in the country, for tombolas and raffles. The frivolous Eighties changed all that. Doing lunch became as much about being seen at the right places and keeping up gossip as about eating out. For many affluent young women, it was also a prelude to shopping: something to do between going to the gym and that night's cocktail party.

Joe's Cafe in Draycott Avenue, off Brompton Cross, was a particular favourite because it was handily placed opposite Joseph, the style emporium of

Diana, Princess of Wales, was an influential social luncher, although her haunt was San Larenzo, the Knightsbridge Italian proprietor, Mara Berni. became something of a motherconfessor to the Princess. Like most lunching ladies, the Princess never are much: her favourite dish

being a salad washed down with a glass of Perrier.

"The ladies who lunch never eat very much," says a manager at Joe's, 90 per cent of whose lunchtime customers are women, "Salads, risotto, some fish and perhaps pasta are what the ladies eat. Our alcohol sales are low at lunchof sparkling mineral water."

Eve Pollard, Eighties powerluncher and former Editor of the then Sunday Express, says: "In the Eighties I remember ladies used to go to San Lorenzo in the little street where Diana was often seen. They would go to lunch after. say, having been to the gym or the hairdresser and as a prelude to doing the shopping. It was all about fun and frivolity."

The recession made eating out at lunchtime unfashionable, and when women began lunching again, they mostly

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did so for business reasons. Pollard says: "Now women lunchers are more work-orientated, although, of course, social lunching goes on. There is certainly less food and alcohol consumed in the Nineties. Everyone is watching their calories. The ladies who regularly lunch are easy to spot because they all wear designer suits."

Paul Abes, of Christoph's restaurant in Chelsea, draws a distinction between those who lunch for professional reasons (the majority) and those for social ones (a vocal, ostentatious minority). "Of course, lunching for fun was an Eighties thing, but it's making a comeback," he says. "You

Ladies who lunch: but most count the calories

can spot the social lunchers a

mile off. I call them the Prada

crowd. They sit in, say, groups

of four and take out their

diaries and compare dates.

They discuss forthcoming soci-

ety marriages and talk about

their children. They are al-

ways tanned, have a bright,

fresh look, and good legs from

"Ladies who lunch giggle."

he says. "whereas ladies who

do business don't." Ewa Lew-

is, social editor of Tatler and a

regular luncher, says that

women are increasingly com-

fortable with the concept of

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and wife of Labour's cam-

paign strategist Philip Gould: Barbara Amiel columnist wife of Conrad Black: Josephine Hart, novelist and wife of Maurice Saatchi: fashion star Isabella Blow and Isabelle Goldsmith. They tend to congregate at the same places: The Ivy, The Square in Bruton Street, any Conran concept eaterie, Le

cheon parties. But now every

out than entertain at home.

business reasons."

Caprice, Arlington Street. Joe's, Harry's Bar, and "anywhere with an SWI or SW5 postcode". Dress is fashionably smart - dark, tailored suits, long skirts with discreet slits, fitted jackets.

Among the most enthusias tic of the new generation of younger lunchers are the itaris such as l'ara l'almer Íomkinson, Tamara Beckwith, Letitia Cash and Normandie Keith. When they are in town, they lunch at Daphne's and The Collection. both in South Kensington, or at Joe's and Vingt-Quatre on the Fulham Road. Their clothes are cut to reveal their year-long suntans.

ions, going out to lunch has almost become a chic way of ver in west London, life, a way of doing business. the Portobello Prin-Most go to lunch at least three times a week. Twenty years Kindersley, Jade ago women lunched almost Jagger, Kate Chancellor exclusively in their own reject what novelist Kindersley homes, hosting small luncalls that "whole precious Daphne's lunching thing", preferring to lunch in more inclusive places where they can wear Jeans, Doc Martens and tight white T-shirts - 192 in Kensington Park Road, Notting Hill, is their haunt. Kensit held her hen Patsy night there; other regulars

include Mariella Frostrup,

Stella McCartney and Meg Matthews, wife of Oasis frontman Noel Gallagher. Tania Kindersley used to be a regular there but she now prefers the more discreet surroundings of Osteria Basilico. a bohemian Italian. "Every-one's quite normal there," she says. "It's handily located opposite 192 and you can watch all the trendies making a fool of themselves as they nibble salads and sip chardonnay. I used to be into all that lunching thing but I got tired of going to a place precisely because you know you're going to be looked at. I prefer to lunch with friends and wear an ordinary

pair of trousers without worry-



Recipe for success: 20 years ago women lunched almost exclusively in their homes, hosting small parties, but now everyone is so busy they prefer to eat out

LORD HANSON

Goes to: the Connaught, Savoy Grill, Santini's. Eats: Dover sole off the hone, sea bass.

Drinks: nothing. Lunches with: Frank Johnson, Bill Cash, Baroness Thatcher.

SIR RICHARD GREENBURY Chairman of Spencer.

Goes to: M&S boardroom in Baker Street HQ. Eats: the best from the M&S range, smoked fish followed by poached salmon. No chick-Drinks: water.

Service: colossal oil paintings and liveried butlers mark this boardroom.

ELLIOT BERNERD

Property developer. Goes to: Claridge's, where he has his own regular table Eats: tycoon's favourite of fish off the bone. Drinks: glass of champagne. Lunches with: Gerald Ronson, David Mellor. Does not need to: sign his bill. He is such a regular that he can just get up and leave.

ROCCO FORTE Hotelier.

Goes to: The Savoy Grill. Eats: Dover sole off the bone, puddings.

Drinks: champagne.

Lunches with: Max Hastings. Editor of the Evening Standard, Michael Green, chairman of Carlton Television.

The lunch bunch: The final part of our guide to the top 50 of DIARY

The talk is of country sports.

LADY POWELL

Margaret Thatcher's former Downing Street aide-turnedbusinessman and his wife, a society hostess.



Go to: Lady P goes to Kaspia, or at her house in Bayswater. Sir Charles prefers The Ritz. Eat: blinis for her, haddock Monte Carlo for him Drink: champagne, mineral

Lunch with: Peter Mandelson, Sir James Goldsmith, Paul Johnson, Baroness Thatcher. How long: for him lunch is

brisk and businesslike, for her as long as it takes to squeeze out all the gossip.

MATTHEW EVANS Head of Faber & Faber. Goes to: The lvy, where he has his own table Lunches with: highbrow lit-

erati such as Torn Stoppard. Julian Barnes and Salman **ED VICTOR** Literary agent.

Goes to: The Ivy, the Garrick

Lanches with: celebrity writers, Joan Collins, Andrew Neil, Will Self. SIR BERNARD INGHAM Baroness Thatcher's former press secretary.

Goes to: Beoty's, Simpson's-in-the-Strand, Manzi's. Eats: Dover sole Walewska. Steamed puddings. Potatoes, but no other vegetables. Drinks: nothing. Likes to: stretch out on a banquette and hold forth to

NIGEL DEMPSTER Gossip columnist, and 'DAI LLEWELLYN Nightclub greeter. Go to: Dan's, Monkeys, Leonardo's, Foxtrot Oscar When: every Friday

Britain's most accomplished lunchers Eat: full three courses.

Drink: bucketloads, starting with champagne, moving through to liqueurs.

Lanch with: Michael Corry-Reid, Johnny Kidd, ageing Chelsea bad boys. Hangover: unbearable. The



Lady Powell: likes blinis

lunches have been known to carry on right through until

SHAUN WOODWARD Wealthy new Tory MP for Witney. Goes to: Le Caprice, Savoy

Eats: steaks, salads. Drinks: champagne. Smokes: an ostentatiously large cigar

THE VENERABLE GEORGE AUSTIN Archdeacon of York. Goes to: Simpson's-in-the Strand.

Eats: like a starving vicar. Starters, main course from the trolley and treacly puddings to

Drinks: red wine, liqueurs. Loves: being rewarded for all his controversial statements by taking a slap-up lunch. which lasts well into the afternoon.

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ANTHONY LEJEUNE Historian of London's gentlemen's clubs.

Goes to: knows his way round every club table in London from the Beefsteak to White's. Eats: whatever grey meat in gravy is dished up. Drinks: sherry, red wine. Lunches with: the members'

Between courses can outpoint any club bore with his store of anecdotes from

SIR EDWARD HEATH MP for Old Bexley and

Sidcup. Goes to: the Berkeley Hotel, Buck's, the Carlton Club, the Chinese Embassy. Eats: trifle.

Drinks: vintage wines. Lunches with: William Waldegrave, sycophants. Known to invite journalists for a meal, have a polite lunch, then flay



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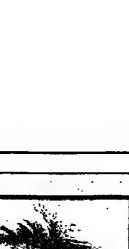
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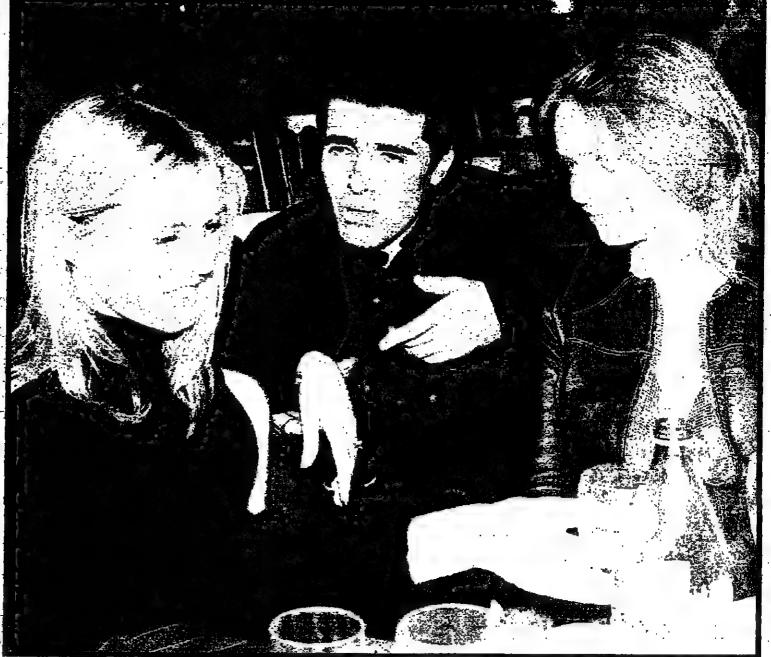
from East and West

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Martin Jacques likes Japanese food; Eve Pollard prefers the Oxo Tower





by one of them, accept. No

Film director and voice of

Goes to: The Belvedere in

Eats: foie gras, lobster, the classic flash foods.

Drinks: champagne, the top

Lunches with: anyone pre-

Lethal weapon: his column in

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MICHAEL WINNER

Holland Park, Wiltons.

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measly catering and hospital- maitre d' who has failed to

Advice: if you are invited out by a film legend.

Rocco Forte, left, likes to talk of country sports over Dover sole and champagne at The Savoy Grill, while Patsy Kensit, Liam Gallagher and Stella McCartney prefer giggling and cigarettes with their beer at the Portobello Hotel

PATSY KENSIT Liam Gallagher's wife. MEG MATTHEWS Noel Gallagher's wife. MARIELLA FROSTRUP STELLA McCARTNEY Go to: 192, The Portobello Hotel, The Fifth Floor at Harvey Nichols. Eat: not much in between the ciggies and giggling.

Drink: spritzers, anything with vodka, bottled beers. Like to: head off afterwards to designer shops down Sloane Street or the vintage clothes emporia of Notting Hi

MARTIN JACQUES Former Editor of Marxism Today, Guardian columnist. Goes to: Union Cafe in Marylebone, Orso, Stephen Bull's Bistro, Japanese restaurants. Eats: salami and manchego cheese with quince jelly. Fish.

Lunches with: Alan Rusbridger, Will Hutton, John Birt, Christopher Haskins of Northern Foods.

Drinks: Sapporo beer, then

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DIANA, PRINCESS OF WALES Goes to: Chelsea Harbour Club, La Famiglia, San Lorenzo, Launceston Place. also a favourite of Lord Snowdon.

Eats: pasta, salads. Drinks: water. girlfriends, now prospective suitors such as Christopher Whalley and Gulu Laivani.

JAY JOPLING Art dealer, and DAMIEN HIRST Go to: greasy spoons round Cork Street; Quo Vadis in

Eat: food comes second to smoking and drinking. Drink: vodka with tonic or fruit juice, Lunch with: Sam Taylor-Wood, Dave Stewart, Jarvis

EVE POLLARD Agony aunt for the Sunday

Mirror. Goes to: Oxo Tower. Quaglino's, Pont de la Tour. Why Are You Shamed Eats: colossal salads, shellfish. Drinks: champagne and balloon-sized glasses of white

wine.
Lunches with: bosom pals from her editing days at the then Sunday Express, Charles Lewington, former Tory director of communications, Peter

JOHN WALSH Former Literary Editor of The Independent, presenter of Radio 4's Books and Company. Goes to: The lvy, Chili's in Canary Wharf. Eats: Bangers and mash.

burritos. Drinks: Red wine, vodka. Lunches with: a constant stream of young women in publishing. Model for: Ivo Sponge, the heavy-drinking hack in Vicious Circle, Amanda Craig's satire on literary London. Feels sorry for publishers not in central London.

Aide to John Redwood. THE STAFF OF THE Goes to: The Beefsteak Club, JAPANESE EMBASSY Go to: Aubergine, Marco Eats: sprats, oysters, beef. Pierre White at the Hyde Park Hotel, Suntory. Drinks: gailons of the "Argen-Eat: modestly while offering

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ity services.

with: businessmen,

journalists, Foreign Office

tine red infuriator". Lunches with: the Tory Right. their guests anything on the PETER MANDELSON Drink: nothing - but do not Minister without Portfolio. expect their guests to follow

HYWEL WILLIAMS

Goes to: The Avenue, the Tate Gallery Restaurant. Eats: guinea fowl, Caesar Drinks: mineral water, hot water with a slice of lemon. In stark contrast to: the old Labour lot who held court in The Gay Hussar in Soho.

ION TREWIN Publisher of Weidenfeld & Nicolson.

Goes to: The Garrick, The Ivy, Manzi's in Leicester Street. Drinks: wine, mineral water,



freshly squeezed orange juice. Eats: fish, "any good quality nursery food". Lunches with: Alan Clark, MP. Edna O'Brien, agents. publishers. How long: "The big publishing lunch is a thing of the past. An hour and a half."

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VISUAL ART: Richard Cork on the Whitechapel Gallery's twin celebration of sex earthy and unearthly; plus galleries

Pain and joy of carnal desires

tures soar, erotic delight is given free rein el Art Gallery. Upstairs, the amorous antics of the Hindu god Krishna fill the walls with rampant sensuality while, downstairs, the assured young British sculptor Cathy de Monchaux is even less inhibited in her sumptuous exploration of the body.

Before long, though, the pleasure principle in de Monchaux's work turns out to be offset by pain. Far from celebrating the body with straightforward ahandon, she is continually aware of hedonism's darker side. Dangerous Fragility, a two-part sculpture flanking the entrance to her exhibition, reveals this dualism with theatrical flair. On one side, the convoluted structure hanging on the wall seems to open outwards, revealing forms suggestive of female genitalia. The skill with which de Monchaux handles leather, simulating the folds and wrinkles of human flesh. is formidable.

She has a virtuoso ability to manipulate her materials: pliable leather is set against the harshness of brass and the taut ribbons which give the sculpture so much tension. Rather than exposing itself in a languorous manner, the pink flesh appears to be cruelly pinioned. Vulnerability prevails, but in the other half of Dangerous Fragility the defencelessness vanishes. Now the structure seems to have snapped shut. The voluptuous, fetishistic allure of the first half is sacrificed, to be replaced by a farcolder and more wary alternative.

In the largest work, an installa-tion constructed as a room within the gallery, thoughts of a burial chamber come to mind. Its emotive title. Never forget the power of tears, reinforces the feeling of grief in a space where forms are laid out floor. Sensuality still lurks here. above all in the chalk-dusted leather segments where pudendal flesh is simulated with uncanny, seductive fidelity. But the enticing body parts appear to be trapped in the floor, and they are juxtaposed with large, lead-covered boxes held down with rusted steel clasps.

Elaboration plays no part in these austere rectangles, which suggest how much of a debt de Monchaux may owe to the Minimalist tradition. She is certainly capable of working with rigorous severity, and usually knows when to curb her instinctive love of excess. Around the walls of this

sanctum, though, a nine-part sculp-ture called Trust your sanity to no one releases a more fanciful side of her imagination. Small forms resembling sea-creatures or lizards are stuck, limpet-like, in corners and above doorways. Their playful scattering comes as a relief after the sobriety of the floor-piece, proving that mournfulness can be seasoned with wit in de Monchaux's art.

Humour reaches a cabaret level in a quirky work where frogs, 13 of each sex, are strung out like a chorus line of demented performers. Even here, though, their gaping mouths look strangulated. Violence and damage are never far away, and they take on the significance of a secular crucifixion in a

> 6 The amorous antics of the Hindu god Krishna fill the walls with sensuality 9

weird, repellent work titled thought you said you loved me. At the top, rusted metallic hands which might have strayed from a science-fiction fantasy are clamped on to tangled ropes of leather. They twist downwards, plaited and yet split every three feet, like intestines bursting from a wound. Visceral and blood-flecked, they contrast with the robotic impersonality of the claws holding them to the wall. Nothing remotely seductive can be found in this anguished spillage. It is a cri de coeur, suggesting that de Monchaux's art is, at heart, more autobiographical than may at first

No such mortification blights the Krishna show upstairs. Selected with an eye for vivacity by Balraj Khanna, more than 120 miniatures from the 16th to the 19th centuries chart the tireless, perpetually diverting adventures of this everpopular divinity. The eighth incarnation of the Hindu god Vishnu, Krishna was irrepressible from childhood: in one 18th-century Jaipur picture the blue-coloured boy with a green halo is caught stealing butter from a milk churn.

Miniature painting may have been constrained by rules, but they did nothing to deflate the high spirits displayed in so many of the

abounds, sometimes with an elan that made me wonder how Asian art may have influenced de Monchaux. But they are always subservient to the storytelling pur-pose of the painting, and Krishna's escapades guarantee that the nar-

rative energy never falters. He is capable of brutal retribution when circumstances demand. The outsize demon Putana finds herself killed by the deceptively small god when he sucks her breast dry. He is equally capable, in an adult guise, of grabbing the evil Kansa by the hair and bringing a blade down on his exposed neck. All the same, Krishna displays mercy as well, forgiving the submissive Kaliya with commendable

But he is in no danger of becoming a saintly bore. Sexuality and spirituality are fused in Hinduism, to an extent unimaginable in Christianity. So Krishna's carnal appetites never seem incompatible with his divine status. He goes about his love-making as inventively as Don Juan. One of the most beguiling miniatures shows him perched in a tree, staring with justful satisfaction at the clothes slung further along the same branch. He has stolen them from the cowgirls bathing in the lotus-filled water below, and their blend of dismay and excitement is subtly defined by the artist's command of

rishna's resourcefulness enables him to satisfy all the cowgirls. In a hallucinatory picture, he multiplies himself and makes love to six of them at the same time. But there is nothing rapacious about his cunning manoeuvres. He embraces his conquests gently, as if determined not to abuse his powers too crudely. That is why his limitless does not seem offensive. We smile at Krishna's exploits, and are charmed even more when he performs miraculous feats without discernible effort. Standing at the centre of a forest fire, he saves the animals, birds and humans by swallowing the flames. He is also capable of indulging a holiday mood, dancing in the rain with a flower in his hand or squirting young women with coloured water.

Krishna is a god for all seasons. and plenty of the artists in this enchanting show include superb passages of landscape observed at different times of day. A blood-red sunset, glimpsed above a dark



mass of densely foliated trees, lends unexpected tension to a lyrical scene where Krishna is serenaded by trumpet-blowing attendants. Above all, he appears in an abundance of different settings with the devoted Radha. The two lovers gaze at each other, suspended in rapture on a swing. They walk in a grove as beguiling as Paradise, and embrace in court-

yards where cowgirls gather to watch them with appraising eyes. In order to give the show a contemporary dimension, several

artists have been invited to add work of their own. The most spectacular, by Permindar Kaur, covers the entire final wall with brilliantly coloured figures made of polar fleece. In many cases, their actions are ambiguous: Kaur seems fascinated by the ease with which an embrace can be transformed into a struggle. In this respect. Kaur's willingness to explore the interplay between pleasure and suffering brings her closer to the perturbation explored by de Monchaux on the floor below.

Both shows are at the Whitechapel
 Art Gallery, London E1 (0171-522 7878)
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THE difficulty with an artist such as Celso Lagar (1891-1966), whose life story is extraordinary and in many respects tragic, is to separate the life from the art. Sympathy is understandable, but would we be interested in the work if we were not interested in the man? The horrors of Lagar's life all

crowded together in its last ten years. He had come to Paris from Spain when he was 20, rapidly fallen in with the sculptor Hortense Begue, who was to be his companion and wife for some 45 years, had shared a studio with Modiglian and become a close friend of Picasso, and everything went swimmingly. Then, in 1956, Begue died, there was a disastrous fire at his studio, and he was maliciously accused of arson. The distracted artist was carried off to the local lunatic asylum and left there, too proud to appeal for help. When the London dealer Andras Kalman discovered his work everyone thought he was dead, but Kalman managed to trace Lagar and even-tually he was released.

Fortunately his art, now on show at the Crane Kalman Gallery, commands attention in its own right. There are traces of Modigliani's influence, and of Blue Period Picasso, but mostly it is his own, and surprisingly Spanish, especially in the circus pictures he painted obsessively, which belong to the dark world of Goya or Solana rather than to the Ecole de Paris. Crane Kalman Gallery, 178 Brompton Road, SW3 (0171-584 7566) until July 26

☐ Michael Leonard is a Classical rather than a Neo-Classical artist. The distinction needs to be insisted on, since contemporary Neo-Classicism is almost always involved with pastiche, camp, and the tongue at least slightly in the cheek. Leonard, on the contrary, is intensely serious and single-minded in all he paints. Not necessarily in all he draws, in that his "transpositions", portraying friends in styles which he finds suitable to their cast of feature, are generally tinged with spry humour as well as acute

art-historical observation. But as a painter his interests are at one with the Masters: he is and hidden architecture of the human body, and this fascination has produced some of the finest

nudes of the 20th century. He has also, in the past few years, taken up still-life, and the exquisitely finished portraits of fruit and flowers in his latest show combine meticulous accuracy with a voluptuous warmth which he never quite allows himself in his figure compositions.

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> JOHN RUSSELL TAYLOR

WHAT happens when you put a real conductor in front of one of the best period-instrument orchestras? This is something that occurs too rarely. The directors of such ensembles usually have little idea of how to conduct, aithough many of them do so nowadays, regardless of whether the concept of a conductor in much of the earlier repertory is authentic

But, happily, it does happen on a regular basis with Simon Rattle as principal guest conductor of the Orchestra of the

An authentic hero at work

clearly built up a rapport with the players, to judge by their electrifying performance of Beethoven's Eroica Symphony in the opening concert of their European tour.

The benefits of such a combination are obvious: the details of phrasing and clarity of textural balance are allied to the visionary abilities of a conductor whose control over every nuance is absolute but Age of Enlightenment. He has liberating. It was also clear, CONCERT

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especially in the performance of Schubert's Tenth Symphony in the realisation by Brian Newbould, that Rattle, not afraid to take risks, stretches his players to the full. The

demands of the slow movement exposed some technical weaknesses, but this served to emphasise the strange, new paths Schubert was on the

verge of taking. This strangeness is most apparent in the almost unrelentingly fugal last movement. yet even the melodious opening Allegro maestoso is chameleon-like in its constant shift between major and mi-nor. I found Newbould's or-

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chestration a little fussy here but Rattle and his team pulled off a convincing account.

Then Rattle brought a brilliantly bold and fresh interpretation to bear on the Eroica. Conducting from memory, and in constant eye contact with every section of the orchestra, he drew world-class playing from the OEH, which rose to the challenge magni-

Exuberant in the broad weep of the first movement, fiercely intense in the funeral march, erupting into playfulness for the Scherzo - all this was paced with such coherence that it seemed a preparation for the apotheosis of the hero in the finale. Every detail was in place, in line with the historically informed approach. But what do you get with a real conductor? An interpretation that is strong and individual yet spontaneous, that brings true insight and a deserved roar of appreciation from the audience.

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CLASSICAL CHOICE

A guide to the best available recordings, presented in conjunction with Radio 3

MONTEVERDI'S VESPERS OF 1610 Reviewed by Bruce Wood

FEW works confront perform-ers with as many problems as Monteverdi's Vespers. The 1610 edition is frustratingly unclear as to instrumentation, the number of singers, the appropriateness of liturgical performance, and even which pieces in the volume actually belong to the Vespers. Hence no two recordings, which span some 30 years, contain exactly

Three 1970s recordings feature all-male choirs: King's College, Cambridge under Philip Ledger (EMI), Regens-burg Cathedral under Hanns-Martin Schneidt (Archiv), and the Hanover Boys' Choir under Heinz Hennig (Ars Musici). The German recordings boast the more sensitive

the same music.

solo singing, but their choirs are no match for King's.

More recent recordings are astonishingly diverse. John Eliot Gardiner's enormous forces, recorded for Archiv in St Mark's Cathedral. Venice, sound improbably sumptuous: Jordi Savall's brilliant instrumentalists (on Audivis Astrée) outshine his singers. Frieder Bernius (Deutsche Harmonia Mundi) offers superlative solo singing, and Harry Christophers (Hyperion) an exceptionally well-

drilled choir. Alongside these Nikolaus Harnoncourt's mainstream reading (on Teldec) seems anodyne. With welcome radicalism.



Philippe Herreweghe (Harmonia Mundi) tames the two cruelly Lauda Jerusalem and the Magnificat, by transposing them down. But more satisfying yet are the group who pioneered this solution, the Taverner Choir, Consort and Players under Andrew Parrott, at mid-price on Virgin Classics VMD 561346-2, £19.99. Their radiant vocal soloists and virtuoso instrumentalists bring Monteverdi's masterpiece up as fresh as

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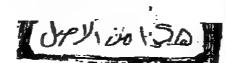
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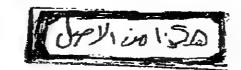
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but the Celtic muse is passionately articulated by a touring Sinéad O'Connor



■ TOMORROW

Why the second novel is more important than the first from Jane Austen onwards

Teenage tosh

rich Wolfgang Komgold (1897-1957) is a problem, a prodigiously gifted composer whose natural development was hindered by two world wars and the politico-economical upheavals that separated them. Officially proclaimed a genius as a teenager - he was only 13 when his ballet Der Schneeman was premiered at the Vienna Court Opera — he was obliged to take on hackwork to earn a living after the First World War and, unlike Weill, made a success of composing for Hollywood when exiled in the 1930s, for which Europe has never forgiven him. It is probably for his brilliant Warner Bros scores that he will be remembered, rather than for his operas, his impressive Symphony in F sharp (1952), or his more than decent string quartets.

Whether or not Opera North has done him any favours by marking his centenary with a concert performance of the one-act opera Violanta (Vienna, 1916), completed when he was 17, is open to debate. The teenager's uncanny mastery of late romantic orchestral colour is beyond dispute, but that is about the sum of Violanta's attractions. It is heavily indebted to Strauss's Salome, but the debts remain unsettled: the melodic germs on which the score is built are by comparison unmemorable, and the music is content to illustrate the text rather than lead or indeed tran-

And Hans Müller's libretto is.

OPERA

Violanta Grand, Leeds

frankly, tosh. The heroine of the title seeks revenge on the Don Giovanni-style seducer of her sister, arranging for her husband to stab him at an agreed (and unmemorable) musical signal. But the seducer reveals that he had an unhappy childhood, which apparently explains everything, and Violanta instantly falls in love with him, interposing herself between him and the dagger at the final curtain. Well, honestly.

Opera North promised a semistaging, but settled for a straight concert on Friday. The excellence of the English Northern Philharmonia's playing under Paul Daniel with every strand of orchestral fabric clearly laid out, tended to emphasise the threadbare quality of so much of the actual musical thought; in concert, Violanta is all gesture rather than substance.

The soloists worked heroically, Janice Cairns energetically riding the orchestra in the strenuous title role, the US tenor Hans Aschenbach whamming out the seducer's music, and Jonathan Summers doing all he could for the dully-composed husband.

POP: Van Morrison ignites a downbeat Fleadh; plus, Sinéad O'Connor still captivates



The ascent of the Man: Van Morrison was in blistering form with material from his new album, and even cracked a smile at the Fleadh festival in north London

RODNEY MILNES some generally erratic programming, the Fleadh this year was a strungely flat event, sparking only intermittently until a towering Mozart at the gallop performance by Van Morrison gave the event shape and purpose late in the evening. Attendance seemed down, with the suspicion

stayed away.

Nervous deserved better than

the opening slot, when the park was still half empty. Now slimmed

down to a six piece, they are a

British version of Counting Crows,

brimming with powerful, melodic

songs and passionate vocals. The

only difference is that the Crows

sold six million copies of their debut

album while Nervous have sold

6.000. In a fairer world it could

from an early slot, but her exqui-

sitely wild squeeze-box playing reminded us that the Fleadh is still

SINEAD O'CONNOR'S reputation paints

her as a latter-day John Lennon. She has the

same predilection for provocative political

gestures, the same obsessive reworking of

during this concert, one of her first UK

performances since 1995. True, the second

song was Famine, a polemic against English

imperialism and Irish oppression. This,

however, is the mildest form of rap, delivered

have been the other way round.

Scharinger was making his British debut and so was Norah Ansellem, voluptuously available as the Countess. She handled her tricky first aria with far more skill than many a more experienced soprano. Dove sono is usually the

Wojciech Drabowicz, previously heard here only in Tchaikovsky. aspect: voice, demeanour and hauteur. Rosemary Joshua's Susanna is familiar from the Coliseum, but she too has obviously benefited from Glyndebaurne's lengthy rehearsal period. It is a performance full of resource, sung with total

The controversial piece of casting concerns Cherubino. Susannah Waters plays him as a lustful imp scarcely into puberty. Minutes after discovery in the armchair she is tumbling Barbarina behind it, only to be interrupted by the toecap of Basilio (the excellent Ryland Davies) - one of many original elements which may make this

Van quickens the forced absence of the ailing Bob Dylan or Celtic heartbeat that many Dylan fans had simply

essentially an Irish festival. Fortunately she returned later to join Donal Lunny, who also brought on the delightful Eddi Reader, in a set of largely traditional material that was among the liveliest of the afternoon. The Irish input was maintained by Altan, whose jigs and reels whetted the appetite for their new Runaway Sunday album, and Brian Kennedy, who has always had a strong, pure voice but

time backing Morrison.

The Fleadh Finsbury Park, N4

star in the Irish firmament, but her uncertain performance suggested that she has not yet decided whether she wants to be a rock

It was indicative of the inexoramaidi of mainstream that among the best The 19-year-old Naimee Cole- received acts, even with an audi-

Ecstasy, were Dreadzoge, who played an inspired mix of technotrance-dub from their forthcoming Biological Radio album, and the Afro-Celt Sound System, whose tribal beats enveloped in swirling Irish mists make them the perfect festival band, ever present this summer, from Tribal Gathering to

the Cambridge Folk Festival. Disappointments included the Divine Comedy, whose louche INCIDENTAL PROPERTY OF THE PRO open spaces, and the Lightning Seeds, whose normally engaging man is tipped as the brightest new ence more into Guinness than power-pop failed to ignite. It was

impossible to get near the tented second stage to hear Suzanne Vega, who should surely have been playing the main arena. Later fine reports filtered out from the marquee about the Go-Betweens but by this time Van Morrison was upon this time Van Morrison was weav-

ing his sophisticated magic. He was in ripe voice mostly on material from the recent, underrated Healing Game album, with spruce versions of Domino and Jackie Wilson Said the only raids into the most illustrious back catalogue in rock. A dynamic horn section made the guitar-led pop that had dominated most of the day sound thin in comparison, and at one point the singer even turned to grin at Brian Kennedy, probably the first sighting of a Morrison smile on stage this decade.

The raucous goodtime thrashing of Shane MacGowan and the Popes - a last-minute substitute follow that.

NIGEL WILLIAMSON

song billows into life, like a becalmed yacht catching a gust of wind.

Her show opens with The Emperor's New Clothes and closes with Fire on Babylon, two stridently confident songs. In between, the emotional territory is more confused, and more intriguing, especially on the beautiful John I Love You (from Universal Mother) and Petit Poulet (from the Gospel Oak EP).

Her singing is often unadorned and understated, and often buried in the mix. but suddenly it will break free in an exhilarating, preening swoop. She may no longer be the feisty, cussed woman she once was, but O'Connor is still a captivating performer.

Le nozze di Figaro

Stephen Medcalf's Mozart production looked pedestrian when it opened the new house here three years ago. But on revival it has transformed into a Figure fizzing with vitality.

Much of the credit goes to Sir Charles Mackerras. He has had a long layoff from conducting enforced by shoulder problems, but now back in the pit he has the air of a thoroughbred sniffing the heady breezes of the gallops. The overture fairly bounced and bubbled and Mackerras kept up the pressure throughout the three-hour span.

Glyndebourne's young cast was hectic musical pace. There were pienty of new names among the principals, but all had been chosen for a double ability to master Mozart and create clear-cut character. No one is going to be fooled by the last-act disguises (poorly set by John Gunter) because the personalities had been drawn so sharply.

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Anton Scharinger begins as a conventional Figaro, a genial fellow provided that he can keep what is his — namely Susanna. With a handy riding crop and a knowing grin, he instructs Cherubino on military manoeuvres as opposed to the sexual variety. But the jolly façade gradually breaks up and then cracks wide open in the outburst against female perfidy in the last act.

Glyndebourne

one that goes better, but Mackerras, in a rare misjudgment. demanded a little too much.

clarity and quicksilver reaction.

Figure the hit of the season.

JOHN HIGGINS with the soothing assurance of a Sunday schoolteacher, and decorated with bewitch-

A talent for passionate pop hesitancy of the opening

her relationship with her mother, even the ing snatches of Eleanor same desire to include her offspring on her Rigby. Yet her refusal to recordings. But, crucially, she also shares a rant gives the sentiments talent for turning her insecurities and anger a quiet authority. into passionate pop music.
There was little sign of the firebrand

O'Connor has the knack of seeming both vulnerable and assured, both fragile and resilient. She can appear to be shy. Her stage chat is mumbled into the microphone, her words swallowed in embarrassment. Her awkwardness is mirrored in the gawky discomfort of her four backing singers. But when they joined together on This Is To Mother You from her new EP, the breathy

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Clarke likes jazz, Lilley has the tunes

Robert Skidelsky says Tory MPs

should prefer ideas to charisma

sition? The answer Conservative MPs give to this question this month will most probably determine their choice of leader. Whether they ger the answer right will help to decide whether we have five or ren years of Labour Government, or even longer. That question is bound up with another: is the Thatcherite revolution done or only halfdone" According to the first view, we now have a broadly acceptable framework of political economy, which even Labour accepts. The task of the Opposition is therefore to attack mistakes in the conduct of policy and to offer a credible alternative administration.

According to the second reading, the task of Opposition is more ambitious. It is to push back the frontier of reform, particularly in social policy. Despite many successes, the framework inherited by Labour can deliver only mediocre economic performance. and government is still too rampant for the health of a free society. Both views assume that the Labour Government will fail, the first because all governments fail sooner or later, the second because the struc-Like Clarke. ture of success is

still lacking. The essence of what might be called the managerial view of Opposition is that the Conservarives must not make themselves

unelectable by lurching to the Right, as Labour "lurched to the Left" in 1979. The managerialists argue that rapid recovery from the two heavy electoral defeats. of 1945 and 1966 depended on forswearing "ideology" and sticking to the centre ground.

This is less than a half-truth. David Willens (in his Modern Conservatism) reminds us that in the late 1940s the Conservative Party deliberately repositioned itself as the party of freedom and that in 1970 the Tories campaigned (successfully) on a manifesto which was "more Thatcherite than the 1983 manifesto — and probably even than the mani-lesto of 1979". Edward Heath's lack of belief in it contributed to his failure. Each of the Conservative revivals was accompanied by an intellectual ferment which culminated in a rededication to the cause of freedom and limited govern-ment. The notion that the idea of freedom, together with practical policies to enlarge it, is as electorally repugnant to the British people as were the projects of the extreme Left seems to me one of the grosser misreadings of recent history.

The real issue is, then, the following: will the Conservative Opposition be content to compete for the management of Labour's version of the Thatcherite inheritance, or will it risk thinking through what it means to be the party of freedom in the new millennium? This, I believe, is the choice offered by Kenneth Clarke and Peter Lilley, the two serious and worthy contenders for John Major's fallen

hat direction should the Conservative Party take in Oppo-Hague I know little except that he is young, balding and made a good speech at the age of 16. Mr Clarke is a political

heavyweight. He would make an effective and pugnacious leader. He is quick and clever. popular in the country, and would win verbal duels in the Commons. He was a competent, but not reforming Chancellor. Here lies his weakness. He is not a man of ideas, nor is he instinctively attracted to those who have them. They bore him. A doughty Heathite survivor, he has accepted parts of the Thatcher revolution, but its logic never entered his soul. This, it is argued, has kepr him human. People will not feel threatened by Mr Clarke, which is very important. But whom will he attract into the party? Why should one be a Clarke Conservative rather than Blairite Labour? I can find no convincing an-

Lilley lacks Mr "charisma". He Clarke's seems cerebral, and rather cold. Like Mr Clarke he is formidably elever: unlike Mr Clarke, he is thoughtful and careful. He feels

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passion, but finds it hard to express. He is a powerful debater. He will not score easy verbal triumphs, but he will consistently land heavy punches. No unlike him, one is more likely to he is careful dent Labour's intelself-confilectual

> appointment as Secretary of State for Social Services in 1992. Frank Field - now a minister in the same department - bowled him a little technical question which aimed at best to get him waffling and at worst to floor him. His answer was defily batted back with such force and confidence that all I could do was quietly

to resume my seat." Mr Lilley's pension-plus plan, the most important reform - though alas too late to come out of the late Government, showed some of the qualities the party might expect of him as leader: a love of freedom, concern to get the argument right, commitment to workable reforms and a skill in presentation. Ironically, though Lilley is to the right" of Clarke, he is less abrasive, more consensual.

In choosing between two fine contenders. Conservative MPs will need to balance the need quickly to build up morale and the need to renew the party spiritually and intellectually - to make it exciting and to give a new electorate positive reasons to vote for it. A Clarke-led Conservative Party will do the former: I cannot imagine it achieving the latter. A Lilley-led party

has a chance to do both. We would all prefer a leader with both star-quality and good tunes. It would be better to start by acquiring some good tunes. The star quality will follow in due course.

The author takes the Conservative whip in the Lords.



" MUST HE BE RESPONSIBLE FOR EVERYTHING?...."

Books and barbarism

book, whether well or badly made, is a very intimate thing. Only you the reader can hold it in your hands. open and enter its pages. If other people try to share your reading with you, peering over your shoulder as you read on the Underground, you feel embarrassed and try to angle the opening away from violating gaze. A stranger who tries to read what you read as you are reading it is the worst kind of intruder, reading your mind. as it were, without your permission. It is worse than tapping your phone. If the book is well made, of hand-

dence. Two days after his made paper stoutly stitched and with a hand-tooled leather binding, sensual pleasure is added to this intense intimacy. The best-made books have individual smells: my moroccobound presentation copy of The Waterbabies has a smell that recalls my childhood every bit as effectively as the scent of Proust's madeleines. If,

> you a block of cheap modern paper in what is laughingly known as "perfect binding". which uses no stitching at all, you know that this is a book that will not be around long enough to become a friend because, when its glue dries out, as glues must do, there will come a day when you will open it and all its leaves will fall to the

Usually we are unaware of the people who have had our book before us. We read on in blissful communion unless we are brought up short by some marginal comment, as disconcerting as a lipstick mark upon a collar. I shall never forget the shock of finding, written in a contemporary hand in the margin of a copy of the 1667 folio edition of the works of the poet Katherine Philips, a colourful four-letter word. That particular copy of this handsome edition, left in 1869 to the Victoria and Albert Museum by the scholar and collector the

Reverend Alexander Dyce, contains other 17th-century marginalia that are rather less disturbing.

To a bibliophile, as distinct from a textual scholar (though many

booklovers are both), it is important

Antiquarian dealers refused to publish

this attack by Germaine Greer on the

vandals who dismember rare volumes

to find out the identity of past owners of a book; in his Index of English Literary Manuscripts. Dr Peter Beal gives almost as much importance to books that can be proved to have been owned by particular authors as he does to the manuscripts of their own work. All writers read more than they write, and what they write is illuminated by knowing what they

Nowadays, historians are putting more energy than ever before into the history of reading; we cannot understand intellectual life in any epoch if we do not know what was read, by on the other hand, you have before how many, how often and how understood. Ironi-

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line of business are hooked on the sensual appeal of old books. Though they know that some of the most valuable books in the British

Library (the most comprehensive and valuable collection of pre-19th-century printed books in the world) are suffering from regular handling by thousands of bare hands, their pages turned by an endless succession of fingertips. each equipped with a sweat-pad, they refuse to consult the same books on microfilm. They want to get the feel, feel the weight, smell the smell of the real, surviving, actual book, whether they have a special

bibliographic interest or not. These are pleasures they will soon have to forgo. In the past, fortunes were spent on restoring old books, which meant, in effect, destroying them. They were taken apart, sometimes the leaves were encased in special membranes, and rebound as fat, tight, glossy things that would withstand all handling. The process was not only expensive but, like a

good deal of art restoration, misguided to the point of insane vandalism. An historian of the book can learn little or nothing from a book that has been treated in this way.

With the aid of specially engineered computers and specially designed software, we will soon be able to find out much more about papers. types, inks and bindings than was reamt of before - provided that their structure has not been obliterated. We should already be able to arrange surviving copies of an edition in the order that they came off the press, for example, merely by microscopic analysis of wear to the

type, and thus to arrive at accurate assessments of stop press corrections and suppressions.

Better knowledge of the book is important to me as a scholar of literature: if in the pursuit of better understanding I have to forgo the deep and quiet pleasure of holding some of our most precious old books

in my bare hands, for nothing, so be it. Our national collections of books are our birthright; but it is no longer feasible to allow us to paw them, any more than we can try on the Crown Jewels. If we want to hold these precious parcels in our naked hands in future, we are going to have to own

It is now 30 years since I became a collector and a custodian of old books. At first I bought copies of printings of rare women poets, most of them first editions, not because I wanted the books but because I wanted the poems. For years, I let these slim volumes kick around all over the house, on my desk, on the floor, by my bed, and occasionally on a bookshelf: only last week I began slipping them into sleeves, to protect them against further damage from central heating, light, dust and

of them had inscriptions and dedications, and how little account I had made of them.

pollution, noticing guiltily how many

These were not for the most part well-made books and, given my rough treatment, they have aged very badly. Ten years ago I began to acquire 17th-century editions. Though I like nothing better than looking at their gold-tooled leather spines ranged in their walnut bookcase. I'm afraid that too many have to go into sleeves, to be taken out and handled on quiet evenings in the company of a noble claret.

These days, as I poke about on bookstalls looking for something to rescue. I discover too often that I am too late. In stall after stall in street markets all over Europe vendors offer the wreckage of beautiful books in the shape of single leaves selling at inflated prices. Even reputable merchants with shops in elegant streets are unembarrassed to sell such leaves as prints. Whenever

I see a page torn from a psalter or a missal, or worse still a herbal or a florilestall, all over gium, and sold off as something to frame and hang on a wall. I yow to ring my vendors offer Euro MP and ask him to bring a Bill in the European Parliament to outlaw any further breaking up of antiquarian books

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for profit, and to require that every leaf of such a book offered for sale has a certificate of provenance. If it is barbarous to burn a book, it is hardly less barbarous to dismember it. And still I see, as I bid in book auctions, the vandals raising their paddles alongside me, forcing the prices to something I cannot pay. because the taners of the book can be sold for more than the book itself. These are outrages that we can and should stop now.

Dr Greer is an Unofficial Fellow of Newnham College, Cambridge, and the author of many books on English lit-erature and feminism. This article was written at the invitation of the Anti-quarian Booksellers' Association as the introduction to the catalogue of its annual London Book Fair, opening on June 26. The ABA rejected the piece due to its implied criticism of ABA members. Libby Purves is away. Her column will

The long and short of a boom

Anatole Kaletsky

takes issue with

the Chancellor

n the long run we are all dead. Of all the wise insights produced by L John Maynard Keynes, the 20th century's only great economist, this was perhaps the wisest. It both explains the practical failure of pre-

Keynesian theoretical economics and acts as a mental innoculation against tyrannies, dogmas and ideologies, most of which assume that "shortterm sacrifices - of prosperity, political freedom or even human life - must be made to achieve some glorious "long-term" outcome. I start with these somewhat arcane reflections because I experienced a

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political epiphany last week: the Manichaean battle between shortterm and long-term thinking will be at the heart of every government economic policy in the years ahead As an unabashed Keynesian and someone who has seen long-termism used for decades in Germany and Japan as a euphemism for inflexibility, complacency and refusal to accept change, I know which side of this arguments I am likely to be on. More importantly. I see more clearly where

Gordon Brown's instincts lie. Last week I witnessed the results of his philosophy in action: first came an increase in interest rates, then I had the pleasure of discussing with my wife what luxuries we might buy with our share of the windfalls raining down on 11 million British

The Chancellor believes in the long term with a fervour I have ▲ rarely seen — certainly not since the forced retirement of Nigel Lawson, whose biggest mistake was always to stick to long-term convictions, when short-term adjustments were required. Will Mr Brown now fall into the same trap?

His first five weeks in office have seen a whirlwind of policy announcements even before he unveils his Budget - the freeing of the Bank of England, a new system for financial regulation, the evident disdain for short-term demand management as a recipe for job creation, a passion, instead, for structural solutions such as reform of the welfare and tax system. All these have emphasised long-term stability and rejected opportunism. Expressed like that, the strategy sounds virtuous. But where

Mr Brown is convinced that the more today's consumption boom can be restrained by the Bank of England and the Budget, the better investment will respond. In his view, the greatest failure of the British has been, today and under successive Conservative Governments, our low level of manufacturing investment.

Although there are as many divergent figures on investment as there are politicians and economists arguing about them, it is hard to deny the thrust of Mr Brown's claims. Investment has been low throughout the past five years of economic expansion and it has been extremely low in the manufacturing industries. These are felt by the public to be particularly important for the nation's long-term wellbeing because they produce the tangible "things" of real value unlike retailing, advertising and so

A Keynesian short-termist such as myself has no difficulty in explaining low investment. Businesses will invest only when their existing factories are working near full capacity and they can anticipate a substantial growth in demand for their goods. In the past year demand for British goods was only just reaching such levels when manufacturers' profits were squeezed by the strength of sterling, and then by the highest interest rates in the civilised world. Under these circumstances we shorttermists would rely on strong consumption to boost investment. If possible, I would also seek to reduce interest rates and lower sterling. while sharply raising taxes. This would make manufactured exports more profitable than production for the home market.

ut Mr Brown's long-term philosophy leads him to exactly the opposite view. The Chancellor appears to believe that the fundamental reason for low investment has been the short-term orientation of government policy, which has resulted in inflationary booms and busts. What is deterring investment on this view is not the strength of sterling or the fear of an overzealous Bank of England — it is the manufacturers' fear of the consumer

All short-term booms lead eventually to inflation and that, in turn, produces a bust. According to this theory, manufacturers have been discouraged from investing by the recent strength of consumer spending. The way to give them more courage and thereby to increase long-term investment would be to squeeze short-term demand. And since the Treasury's ability to hit consumers with higher taxes has been circumscribed by election promises, there is all the more reason for giving the Bank a free hand; hence the rush to make it independent.

So there you have it: the long-term theory against the short-term one. We will see which is right, by the time the long term is upon us. Let us hope that neither the economy nor the new Government is by then dead.

Point duty

MADAME Speaker has grand designs within the Palace of Westminster but she also exerts her influence on its immediate environs. Yesterday she took to directing the traffic in Parliament Square, Inspired perhaps by John Prescott's plan for an integrated transport system. Betty Boothroyd became enraged by the havoc she witnessed while walking the pavements outside the Houses of The traffic lights had failed once

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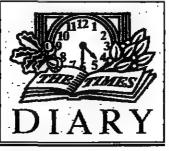
vehicles was making life impossi-ble for pedestrians who, like herself, needed to cross Parliament Street. So Madame Speaker bustled up menacingly to a policeman who was looking on. If you don't get on and do something I'll do it myself," she said. Thereupon, she marched into the middle of the road, held up her hand and started telling the drivers where to go.

"She's not in the habit of doing

this," said her secretary. "It was purely to facilitate her own crossing and that of the pedestrians with

The AA cautioned against such actions, although the organisation stressed that it was not illegal for anybody to start directing traffic. "If she had made anybody crash, she would have been liable," said a spokesman. "And, clearly, motorists could have ignored her if they had chosen to. But knowing the way she deals with errant MPs. that might not have been wise."

 After the excitement of his wine sale. Lord Lloyd-Webber is disposing of more mundane chattels in Ireland, where he has a house which has just been renovated. Curtains, a marble fireplace, the odd mirror and some paintings from his stud farm, Kiltinan



Castle, Co Tipperary, are to be sold later this month at an auction in Castlecomer. His office stresses that this is no indication that he plans to leave Britain and live in Ireland for good.

Beef stew

IN A CONFLICT of interests that can only send shockwaves through the meat industry, it has emerged that Lord Donoughue, Minister for Farming and Food, is a vegetarian. The news has turned the sizeable stomach of Nicholas Soames, a former Minister for Food. The recently appointed junior minister is responsible for a number of agricultural policy sectors, including common agricultural policy reform and other meaty areas. "He eats less red meat these days for reasons of health," says a source in Westminster. "No meat has passed Donoughue's lips since the elec-

tion." Stephen Carr. who owns a farm in East Sussex and writes for the farming press, said: "Well, let's hope he likes fish."

 Another victory over the press for new Labour took place on Saturday as a Downing Street football team beat a team from the Commons' press gallery. Led by the Financial Times's correspondent George "Tackle" Parker, the hacks could do nothing against the young politicos, who even fielded two women, one of them Liz Lloyd from the No 10 policy unit. Tim Al-lan, from the PM's press office, scored twice in the 3-1 victory. Nat-



"It confirms you drank with all the Tory leadership candidates"

Needle match

urally, the game took place in

HARD-EARNT reputations were on the line at west London's River Cafe on Sunday night at a quiz night to raise money for the Turville Children's Project, which enables children from inner cities to spend time in the Buckinghamshire countryside. The compere was Jeremy Paxman, a resident of Turville: questions were set by Gill Hornby, the wife of the writer Rob-

ert Harris and sister of Nick Hornby, the author of Fever Pitch. When the team comprising Harris. Hornby N. and Tom Stoppard emerged as the winners, beating off 17 other teams, including the likes of Salman Rushdie, John Mortimer and Richard Eyre, accusations started to fly. Had Harris and Hornby exploited their close links with the question setter? To cries of "Fix", Paxman stepped in. "When Robert won last time, suspicions of his victory reached the letters pages of The Times. This year, I can confirm, he has been in a state of complete misery and isolation for the past two weeks."

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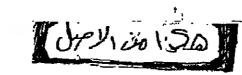
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Richards: easy wicket

comes to his children's sports edu-cation. Viv Richards, the stylish batsman and former captain of the West Indies cricket side, has been flown into Brunei to coach one of the Sultan's two sons.

The master blaster, as the Sultan affectionately calls Richards, is being paid an undisclosed sum for his services but his effort will have been worthwhile. When Ian Botham ran a little low financially after the Imran Khan libel case, the Sultan took him on as a coach and is said to have paid him £300,000



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NEW WELFARE

Labour's ideas are tentative but promising

Welfare dependency is the least welcome legacy of the postwar decades. The true test of Tony Blair's radicalism will be the extent to which he is prepared to tackle it. Britain now has an underclass from which escape is hard, in which crime and despair are easy, to which new generations are constantly being born. The result is not just a fractured society; it is one that is economically inefficient and expensive for those in work.

Social security spending accounts for nearly a third of all government expenditure, almost matching the money used for health, education and defence taken together. Since 1979, this amount has risen by 85 per cent in real terms. But, even if the social security bill were not rising, there would still be social and economic arguments for trying to reintegrate the underclass into the labour market. The existence of so many unemployed, lone parents and long-term sick or disabled not only creates the traditional inner-city problems — it also holds back Britain's potential for growth.

Gordon Brown's welfare-to-work programme should increase labour supply at the right time in the economic cycle, as skill shortages are beginning to appear. But his proposals are not tough enough. Those 18 to 25-year-olds who have been unemployed for more than six months will be offered four reasonable options; they should not be allowed the fifth one of doing nothing (or working on the black market) for 60 per cent of their benefit.

Harriet Harman's proposals for lone parents are also too timid. She plans to call them into the jobcentre for careers advice when their youngest child reaches school age. But why should they not be expected to engage in education, training or part-time work while their children are at school? In Britain's admirably flexible labour market, many employers now offer part-time, term-time employment, which can be dovetailed with holiday work for students.

The Social Security Secretary should also look at the growing number of claimants who say they are unfit for work even as the health of the nation is improving. As we report today, she is thinking of providing less cash and more home help for this group. This should act as a deterrent to those who see living on incapacity or disablement

benefits as an early retirement. She should also review their fitness more frequently and reconsider the medical incapacity test, which assesses ability to do manual work. Most jobs are now in the service sector: physical disabilities should not be automatic disqualification for work.

As Mr Brown emphasised in Luxembourg yesterday, the best way to create jobs is to increase people's employability. The Department of Social Security should see this as its job, possibly contracting out to the private sector too. An American programme, "America Works", uses a private company to teach the long-term unemployed literacy, punctuality, presentation and other tools of work before finding them a job and supporting them through the first few months. The organisation is paid by results - and the results have been a great success, This approach has been more effective than giving subsidies directly to private-sector employers, who tend to assume that people who qualify for subsidies are, by definition, unemployable.

It is encouraging, too, to see Ms Harman and her deputy, Frank Field, considering other routes for provision against the vicissitudes of life. In some areas, such as income support, the State should probably continue as the last resort. But the State is a very remote institution and continuing public support for the welfare state will depend upon people feeling a greater connection between what they pay and what they stand to receive. Making the national insurance system more autonomous, managed for and "owned" by its contributors. might be seen as a cosmetic move by purists, but it could help to make taxpayers resent their contributions less.

The encouragement of a "mutual" sector standing between the State and the citizen is also a promising move. All insurance, private or public, needs risks to be pooled. But this need not necessarily be done at a national level. For pensions, long-term care, disability and sickness, there is plenty of scope for a return to the friendly society model of welfare. When a Labour Government, traditionally the champion of the State, is proposing such a reduction of the State's responsibilities, we begin to see what new Labour might properly mean.

SUCH A HEALTHY IDEA

Vanity is a virtue when it comes to keeping men healthy

Male economic power is in decline; the male biological role is usurped by jam jar and syringe; men are finding it daily more difficult to convince women of their worth. As women become choosier, so men have to attend to their appearance. An Hermès tie draped over the beer belly like a silken skislope is no longer enough. The best way men have of ensuring that they appear to advantage is getting, and staying healthy.

advantage is getting, and staying, healthy. From follicular sheen to washboard stomach, rude health is the visible guarantee of, well, a healthy amount of rudeness. Vanity may be the impetus for working out and taking care but society benefits from men who are vigorous and vital. Men's Health Week, sponsored by the magazine of that name, may be the brainchild of a periodical for preeners but the taut rear end justifies the male model means. The Health Education Council's support for the magazine's efforts is also an exquisitely poised embrace of the private sector by the public in which new Labour's always well-groomed spin

doctors should delight.

Vanity may be the starting point for men determined to pursue a healthier lifestyle but the other benefits of being in condition should be stressed. Men have a lower life expectancy than women and are more likely to succumb to preventable diseases. They are less likely to go to the doctor when they should and more likely to go to the pub when they should not. Raising men's awareness of the dangers inherent in many male life-

styles, however, requires gentle sleevetugging and whispered wisdom. The best of men will often deprecate the "fuss" that proper healthcare involves.

Some of the most admirably unselfconscious men will demur at the necessary check-up, preferring not to "bother" their physician when, in fact, nothing would delight a doctor more than spotting early, and stemming, a potentially troublesome problem. Many of the most charming men will consider it morally more admirable to be a lively guest than a puritan bottle-watcher. But a proper thoughtfulness for others should make even the most bibulous more moderate. They should realise that delightful company as a convivial father, husband or friend may be, there will be more of his society to enjoy in the long run if he makes himself a little less sociable.

Making men healthier is not all hard work and thin gruel. It can be a simple matter of flexibility. Giving GPs more leeway to run their surgeries as they see fit can make it easier for the busy executive to drop in, or at least more difficult for him to make the excuse that he cannot. Better health can depend on others making an effort as well as oneself; but, praise be to fashion, it can also derive from making no effort at all. For those who wish to see the toxins flood effortlessly out of their system, while staying at style's cutting edge, the steam bath beckons. In the Nineties, the men's sauna is the route to a corpore sano.

CHANGE FOR THE ROCK

The call for a modern Gibraltar deserves to be heard

Peter Caruana, the Chief Minister of Gibraltar, will shortly ask the new Labour Government to confer "a new status" on the Rock. As we report today, his idea is for the 284-year-old colony to secure a political arrangement with Britain akin to that of Guernsey or the other Channel Islands.

Mr Caruana's call is part of a welcome determination to construct a modern Gibraltar. The colony's constitution, put in place in 1969, needs clear reform. A set of rules that may have been adequate when the Rock was wholly reliant on the Ministry of Defence is now ill-suited to the aspirations of a dynamic people. Gibraltar's economy, no longer dependent on defence-related MoD expenditure, has acquired a new maturity. Its

constitution, too, deserves to evolve.

The colony's Chief Minister, who is a source of good sense, is right to seek a "Guernsey-like" status for Gibraltar. The process of change will be arduous. Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, will need to give it vigorous attention. But the project is imaginative and provides a way for Gibraltar to divest itself of its colonial status (which, however benign, rankles with Gibraltarians) without cutting cherished ties to Britain. In fact, by becoming a dependency. Gibraltar will acquire both an enhanced degree of autonomy as well as a greater element of integration with Britain.

Once the Rock is a colony no longer, the post of Governor will be abolished, ridding Gibraltar of a symbol which many of its citizens now resent. The recent appointment of Sir Richard Luce — the first civilian, with an unimpressive record on the Falklands when a junior minister — has robbed the job of some of its lustre. The Rock no longer needs a Governor.

A new non-colonial status would also see the transfer of responsibility for Gibraltar to the Home Office, plucking the "problem" from the grasp of the Foreign Office. This would, of course, give London a greater role in some areas of Gibraltar's internal affairs, such as law enforcement. Yet given the continuing Spanish complaints about smuggling, this should work to the Rock's

diplomatic advantage.

Spain, surely, will object to any change in Gibraltar's status. But it has no legal ground for doing so. The 1713 Treaty of Utrecht, under which the Crown acquired title to Gibraltar in perpetuity, does not forbid a more modern political arrangement. Mr Caruana seeks self-determination for his people. Pursuit of the "Guernsey model" is an imaginative route to self-government that stops short of independence. Such change might not have been necessary at all had Spain shown more imagination in its own dealings with the Rock.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Qualities required of the Tory leader

From Mrs Gillian Shephard, MP for Norfolk South West (Conservative), and others

Sir, We are amongst those MPs who have been actively working to elect Peter Lilley the next leader of the Conservative Party. We share your positive assessment of him (leading article, June 6).

Peter Lilley offers a rare combina-

Peter Lilley offers a rare combination of consistency. intellect, determination and proven effectiveness. He has the strength of purpose and of intellect to restore unity to the Conservative Party, to renew its policies and to rebuild a broadly based party. In short, Peter Lilley is the person best able to destroy the credibility of the Labour Government in the Commons and provide direction and leadership for our party.

Yours sincerely. GILLIAN SHEPHARD. DAVID AMESS, JOHN BERCOW. MICHAEL COLVIN. PATRICK CORMACK, ERIC FORTH, NICK GIBB, PHILIP HAMMOND, GERALD HOWARTH. BERNARD JENKIN, ROBERT KEY, PIERS MERCHANT. RICHARD SPRING. ROBERT SYMS. ANDREW TYRIE NIGEL WATERSON, DAVID WILLETTS. JOHN WHITTINGDALE, Campaign for Peter Lilley, Gayfere House, 22-23 Gayfere Street, SWI.

From Mr Duncan Reed and others

Sir. Unlike the former university students whose letter you publish this morning, we believe that Michael Howard is the best man to lead the attack on Labour in Parliament and to restore the fortunes of the Conservative Party across the United Kingdom and across the generations. Younger people are attracted, perhaps above all, by a strong sense of ideological conviction.

Mr Howard combines clear principles with a matchless record of loyalty and achievement. He commands the respect and support of a broad range of Conservative opinion—quite apart from the appeal he possesses across the country as a result of his success at the Home Office. He is a man who gets things done—and there is much to do.

Yours faithfully, DUNCAN REED (Chairman, Cambridge University Conservative Association, 1994), ANDY DAVIES [Chairman, Greater London Conservative Students, 1997), NICKI GRIFFITH (Chairman, Wessex Area Young Conservatives, 1995-97), DAN HANNAN (President, Oxford University Conservative Association, 1992), GRAHAM MONTGOMERY (Chairman, Northern Ireland Young Conservatives, 1997), Michael Howard Campaign, 8 Lord North Street, SWI. June 9.

From Sir Julian Critchley
Sir, Mr Harold Macmillan, wh

Sir, Mr Harold Macmillan, when Prime Minister, made much of this dictum:

The leader of a party must first dominate the chamber of the House of Commons. When he has done so, he will dominate the party in Parliament. Once that is achieved, he will carry the country.

Macmillan followed his own advice in 1957, when the Tory party was in disarray, and the victory of 1959 was the result. Of the assortment of candidates putting themselves forward for the leadership of the Tory party today, only Kenneth Clarke is capable of taking that essential first step, namely the dominance of the House of Commons; when he has done so the rest will surely follow.

Yours etc, JULIAN CRITCHLEY (Conservative MP for Aldershot, 1970-97), 19 Broad Street, Ludlow, Shropshire. June 9.

From Miss Beryl M. Goldsmith

Sir, "Getting Westminster right will bring the upstroke in membership". writes Matthew Parris ("Tories need votes, not roots", June 6). Precisely. It will also restore confidence and faith, for it is the arena of the House of Commons which will count in the next few years.

If the new leader mounts and sustains an effective and essentially intelligent attack on Blair, success will rapidly flow to supporters and former supporters as it did in the Eighties. What joy to read such absolute truth! "We need to see a boss at Westminster, not a chaplain, a glorified party manager, a salesman or a communications supremo".

What further joy if the most serious contender, who has not hosted a mass of drinks parties, lunches and grinning pretensions throughout the campaign, namely John Redwood, was given the opportunity to lead, lead, lead,

Yours faithfully, BERYL M. GOLDSMITH, 34 Thomas More House, Barbican, EC2. June 6.

Grass roots 'bloodied but unbowed'

From Mrs Patricia A. Fea

Sir, The article by Matthew Parris today ("Tories need votes, not roots") is a distillation of all the reasons why the Conservative Party lost the last election so catastrophically.

Mr Parris, a former Conservative MP, apparently believes that only MPs should determine policy; that the views of party activists don't matter; that financial contributions of party members form a negligible percentage of the party income, and therefore don't matter either; that any idea that party representation in local government forms a sound foundation on which to build is derisory; and so, by implication, that local councillors don't matter.

This was indeed the artitude of many Conservative members of the last Government, which led to the result of May I. A parliamentary party which treats its own voluntary workers with contempt is hardly likely to show a more listening ear to the wider electorate.

Yours faithfully, PATRICIA A. FEA, Pebworth, Latchmoor Grove, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire.

From Mr Ronald M. Bell

Sir. Bloodied but unbowed must be the way to describe the Tory troops in the North West — though the picture is significantly different from the one you paint (reports, June 6). While Bolton South East Conser-

Wille Botton South East Conservatives may have cause to lament the "almost terminal decline" of their association, other constituencies in the North West report a wholly different set of circumstances.

In Labour-held Warrington South, where the Labour Party significantly tightened its grip on May I, membership of the Conservative Association is more than 450, with 23 new members joining this year alone, and new branches formed in the area. Bury South, captured from the Tories, reports that eight new members have joined since the general election.

Tory-held Westmorland and Lonsdale has recruited 100 new members this year alone, without a specific membership drive. The Young Conservatives report an even more rosy picture in Cumbria, with a whole new

band of youngsters ready to fight the Tory corner when the time comes. Nobody can deny that things have changed dramatically since the high point of the 1950s — but your gloom does not reflect imminent doom for

the Conservative Party.
Yours faithfully.
RONALD M. BELL,
Regional Director,
Conservative Central Office,
North West Region,
Eric Taylor House,
I's St Mary's Place, Bury, Lancashire,
June 6.

From Mr Nicholas Cooper

Sir, Our achievements in the Cities of London and Westminster do not match the negative picture of the state of the Conservative Party reflected in today's issue.

Over the last three years we have enrolled more than 800 new members, and last year alone we raised £50,000 which we were able to hand over to Conservative Central Office.

Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS COOPER (Vice-Chairman), The Cities of London and Westminster Conservative Association, 90 Ebury Street, SWI. June 6.

From Mr Victor Black

Sir, John Lloyd today ("The lady is not for imitating") analyses the relationship between Tony Blair and Margaret Thatcher. In doing so, he clearly illustrates what I believe to be her single most important contribution to the history of this country: she cured the Labour Party of socialism.

This not only made his election victory possible but lets lifelong Tories, like me, view it with equanimity and cautious goodwill.

Yours faithfully, VICTOR BLACK, Lower Farm House, Coin Rogers, Gloucestershire.

Learning to read

From the Director of Volunteer Reading Help

Sir. In your leading article, "Righting reading" (June 4), you correctly state that the problem of low standards of literacy should be addressed at an earlier stage in primary school, but go on to say that, with good teaching, most children from any social background can succeed. I believe that, in many cases, success depends on more

than good teaching.

Any teacher will be able to identify children who are "parent dependent" (have parental support) and those who are "teacher dependent" (have little or no such support). For any learning to be successful there must be a close interaction between an adult and a child, and a teacher just does not have the time to fulfil this role.

However, there are many in the community trained by Volunteer Reading Help to give "teacher dependent" children in primary school regular support and encouragement to read. These volunteers can share the joy of books and give children the confidence to succeed. In my experience teachers welcome such confidence.

Yours falthfully, CHARLES MARTINEAU, Director, Volunteer Reading Help, Room 438, High Holborn House, 49-51 Bedford Row, WCI. June 4.

Dialysis treatment

From Dr I. H. Khan

Sir, Your report (early editions, May 31) on Wiltshire Health Authority's decision to publish guidelines for selecting patients for dialysis treatment in kidney failure is disturbing. Kidney dialysis or transplantation are the only means by which patients with kidney failure can be kept alive.

The United Kingdom already lags

behind most western countries in the numbers of patients who are offered treatment in kidney failure. We dialyse around 80 patients per million of the population per year compared with around 200 per million in the United States. Rationing in renal dialysis is already a reality in this country.

The UK Renal Association's guidelines on standards of treatment in renal failure and the recently published NHS Executive's National Renal Review for England have highlighted the need for increased resources for dialysis treatment in the UK.

There is no crystal ball which allows us to foresee how well or how long a patient will survive after commencing dialysis treatment. As a practising nephrologist 1 and other colleagues are frequently faced with the difficult choice of whether or not to treat elderly and infirm patients with kidney failure. In such cases usually a "trial" of dialysis is offered. It is therefore not uncommon to have patients well into their eighties or older who do well on treatment. The real cost of treatment is incurred by long-term patients who do well and survive.

Yours sincerely,
IZHAR H. KHAN
(Consultant nephrologist),
Aberdeen Royal Infirmary,
101 South Anderson Drive, Aberdeen.

Panorama's time-slot

From Sir Paul Fox

Sir, On Monday, June 2, for the first time, BBC1's Panorama ended outside peak-time. Shifting it from 9.30pm to 10pm diminishes the programme and the BBC.

What distinguished Panorama

from other current affairs programmes in the past was the calibre of its reporters: Robin Day, Ludovic Kennedy, Robert Kee, Michael Charlton and the late James Mossman. Apart from Tom Mangold, who can name a single Panorama reporter to day? Other than the interview with Diana, Princess of Wales, who can recall a single Panorama programme over the last two years?

In the US, every Sunday evening, the CBS programme 60 Minutes and its team of correspondents underline that a programme featuring distinguished reporters can still be required viewing. For the last 20 years it has always been in the top ten programmes.

The BBC governors should show their mettle, seek an inquiry into why Panorama has been displaced by a situation comedy and publish the findings.

Yours sincerely,
PAUL FOX
(Managing Director,
BBC Network Television, 1988-91),
10 Charterhouse Square, EC1.
June 6.

From the Chairman of Cardiff Community Healthcare Trust

Sir, Wiltshire Health Authority is right to give guidelines in the selection of patients for kidney treatment, Prolongation of life by dialysis or kidney transplantation is not always appropriate because of many other

health factors.

In individual cases, the decision is sometimes very difficult and guidelines are helpful. This should not be called rationing.

However, if eligible patients are to be denied such treatment because Wiltshire Health Authority says it cannot afford to treat them, then that is an entirely different matter which Swindon and District Community

Health Council are right to question. Since it is stated that only 1 per cent (£3.3 million) of the health authority budget is spent on kidney patients, what is happening to the remaining £320.7 million?

The Community Health Council must assure itself that the health authority is spending its entire budget wisely and that there really is no money left to treat all those patients with kidney failure who would benefit

Yours faithfully, DAVID CROSBY. Chairman, Cardiff Community Healthcare Trust, Trenewydd, Fairwater Road, Llandaff, Cardiff, June 2.

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Cormorant effect on fish stocks

From Mr John Bailey

Sir, As an angler and a naturalist, I agree with the writer of your leading article of June 5 ("The finest fisher-bird") that the cormorant is a superbish-catching machine. However, it is not operating in freshwaters of plenty as you would suggest.

The vast majority of inland lakes

The vast majority of inland lakes and rivers in this country are not stocked by man but rely on natural recruitment which, in most cases, is not enough to sustain viable and self-perpetuating populations. In my home county of Norfolk I estimate that there are around 20 miles of important river, of which around 15 are regularly stocked by clubs for trout fishing. Throughout the rest of these rivers roach, chub and dace stocks have declined horrifically through a mixture of causes; these include dredging, chemical run-off from the land and abstraction.

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Of around 200 significant still waters, perhaps a dozen are stocked with trout and slightly more with carp, though these fish are generally too large for cormorants to eat. As for the rest, native rudd, tench and bream stocks are finding life intolerably hard in estate lakes, pits, ponds and broads. Here, further water mismanagement and neglect is reducing their numbers, in many cases to the point of extinction.

A glut of cormorants does not help our native freshwater fish. I would argue that the beautiful, olive-skinned tench or the golden dinner-plate that is a rudd are every bit as worthy of our understanding and protection as is the cormorant itself.

Yours faithfully.
JOHN BAILEY
(Author. Tales from the Riverbank).
Orchard House, Gunton Park,
Hanworth, Norwich, Norfolk.

From Mr Gordon Bird

Sir, Your leading article today highlighted the hostility of Britain's freshwater anglers to our native cormorant, which has moved inland in increasing numbers to feed on prized fisheries. But the real culprits are these anglers' professional relatives, the deep-sea trawlermen who, with single catches exceeding 60 tonnes, are the prime cause of the ocean's dwindling harvest and the cor-

morant's inland retreat.

Unless more of these mariners can be persuaded to hang up their nets, the prospects for cormorants and all other seafood diners looks bleak.

Yours faithfully, GORDON BIRD, 3 The Holme. 21 Post Street, Godmanchester, Cambridgeshire. June 5.

Good sports

From the Reverend lan Gregory

Sir. Has anybody perfected a TV control unit that deletes the idiots' chorus from Test match transmission? If so, please will they send me details. Alternatively, the producers could tone down the crowd "atmosphere" so that those of us who prefer to watch the game for its finer points can do so without the endless changing that spoils it for us.

chanting that spoils it for us.

Producers should also try to show us opponents applauding players who reach centuries. Good sportsmanship is still around, but TV seems to prefer to broadcast the baying masses rather than the very important good example of true sportsmen appreciating the efforts of their opponents.

Yours faithfully, IAN G. GREGORY. 18 The Avenue, Basford, Newcastle, Staffordshire. June 9

From Mr Marcel Berenblut

Sir, Sitting in synagogue on Saturday, I was struggling to keep my thoughts away from events at Edgbaston and concentrate on a somewhat dull reading from the Bible (I Numbers

I was rewarded for my efforts just seven verses from the end, when I encountered the instruction (iv. I3) "And they shall take away the ashes

Yours faithfully, MARCEL BERENBLUT, 53 Corringham Road, Wembley Park, Middlesex. June 9.

Sales patter

From Mr Gordon Proud

Sir, Having endured a long period during which retailers' assistants and waiters have replaced the words "Thank you" with "Cheers", I find that many are now endorsing one's purchase with "Good choice". Inevitably, this proves not to be the case.

Yours faithfully, GORDON PROUD, 18 Barton Farm, Cerne Abbas, Dorset, June 9

Worried to death

From Dr John Edmunds

Sir, "'Mad sheep' fears prompt slaughter" (today's headline).

Yours faithfully.
JOHN EDMUNDS,
19 Pembridge Crescent, Wil.
June 6.

Well, wouldn't you?



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BUCKINGHAM PALACE June 9: The Duke of Edinburgh.
Patron. Association for Science Education, this evening attended a Reception for Young Entrepreneurs at St James's Palace. June 9: The Duke of York this norming opened the new Euro-pean Headquarters of LSI Logic Limited at Greenwood House. London Road, Bracknell, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of the Royal County of Berkshire (Mr Philip Wroughton). June 9: The Prince Edward, Trustee, The Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Foundation, this evening held a Dinner at Buckingham Palace.

June 9: The Princess Royal, Honorary President, Scottish Chambers of Commerce, this morning atten-ded the First Annual Conference at the Exchange, Morrison Street. Edinburgh, and was received by Councillor Brian Fallon (Deputy Lieutenant of the City of Edinburgh). Her Royal Highness afterwards opened the new Campus of Napier University in Craighouse

Road, Edinburgh.
The Princess Royal this after-noon visited Dobie and Company and opened the new extension to the garden centre at Melville Nursery, Lasswade, and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Midlothian (Captain George Burnet).

Her Royal Highness, Patron, Citizens Advice Scotland, later visited Dalkeith and District Citizens Advice Bureau, 8 Buccleugh Street. Dalkeith, and was received by Major John Callander (Vice Lord-Lieutenant of Midlothian). ST JAMES'S PALACE June 9: The Prince of Wales, Duke

of Cornwall, this morning visited Duchy Farms in Cornwall. His Royal Highness afterwards visited the Royal National Lifeboot Institution's new Lifeboat Station at Rock, Cornwall.

KENSINGTON PALACE June 9: The Duke of Gloucester as Grand Prior, the Order of St John, this afternoon received Sir Colin Imray on relinquishing his appointment as Secretary-General and Sir Christopher MacRae on assuming the appointment.

The Queen has been pleased to make the following appointments: Gentleman Usher, Lieutenant Colo-nel Gordon Burdwood: Extra Gentle-man Usher, Major Nigel Chamberlayne-Macdonald.

The Duke of Edinburgh celebrates his 76th birthday today.

Birthdays today

Mr Brian Baldock, former deputy chairman, Guinness, 63; Mr W.G. Barr, former Rector, Exeter College, Oxford, 80; Mr Saul Bellow, writer, 82: Mrs Susan Bodinham, Headmistress, St Mary's School, Wantage, 46: the Right Rev L.W. Brown, former Bishup of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich, 85; Sir Bryan Cartledge, former Principal. Linacre College, Oxford, 66: Sir Christopher Collett, former Lard Mayor of London, 60; Mr Peter Crampton, MEP, 65; the Very Rev G.J.T. Forbes, Provost, St Mary's Cathedral, Edinburgh, 40: Sir Brinsley Ford, former chairman, National Art-Collections Fund. 89; Lord Justice Peter Gibson, 63: Mr Graham Carleion Greene, publisher, 61: Mr R.P. Halward, former Governor, Manchester (Strangeways) prison, 46: Sir William Harris, civil engineer, 85; Mr Guy Harwood, racehorse trainer. 60: Sir Arthur Hawkins, former chairman, CEGB, 84: Mrs Phyllis Hetzel, former President, Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge, 79; Dr Polly Hill, anthropologist. 83: Mr Lionel Jeffries, actor, 71: Mr Simon Jenkins, former Editor, The Times, 54: Mr Michael Kenny sculptor, 56: Sir Geoffrey Otton, civil servant, 70: Mr Anthony Rooley, lutenist, 53: Major-General Michael Walsh, former Chief Scout, 70: Dr John F. Wilkinson,

Today's royal engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, as Founder and Chairman, will preside a meeting and host a luncheon for trustees of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award International Association at Buckingham Palace

The Duke of York will attend the Royal Warrant Holders Associ-ation's annual function and present awards to the 1997 winners of The Queen Elizabeth Scholar-ship at the London Hilton on Park Lane at 12.45.

The Princess Royal will attend the Three Counties Agricultural Soci-ety's annual Show, at the Malvern Showground, at noon; and as President, British Olympic Association and The Olympians, will hold the Olympic Pin Ceremony at Buckingham Palace at 6.30. Princess Margaret, as President. The Friends of the Elderly, will attend a reception and concert at St James's Palace at 7.05.

The Duchess of Gloucester will open the Retraining and Community Education Centre, Sutton Roud First School, Mansfield, at .30; will visit the Hope Centre at St Martha's Church, Broxtowe Estate, Nottingham, at 2,35; and will visit the Pain Management Centre at The Queen's Medical Centre, Nottingham University, at



Hereford's medieval Chained Library, now contained inside a new building, below

Chained Library building wins prize

By Robin Young

THE new cathedral library at Hereford built to incorporate the medieval Chained Library, the cathedral archive and the priceless Mappa Mundi has been named as building of the year.

The judges of the Royal Fine Art Commission/British Sky Broadcasting award described the building, the work of Whitfield Partners, the architectural firm headed by Sir William Whitfield, as masterly. The partnership is currently working on a similar project at Canterbury.

The judges included Lord St John of Fawsley, the commission's chairman, Richard Dunn, executive director of News international Television, the broadcaster Loyd Grossman, the architect lan Ritchie, and Professor Margaret MacKeith, Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University of Central Lancashire.

in a programme about the awards shown last night on Sky Television the judges said that the subtle details of the building distinguished it as late 20th century work, while matching, and even surpassing, Victorian addi-



tions to the cathedral.

Lord St John, introducing the awards, said: "We now have some of the finest architects in the world who are British and working here in Britain and elsewhere ... The sadness is that we do not yet realise how great our contribution to architecture

From more than 40 entries the judges had shortlisted seven buildings, three of which won special awards. In a specialist category for restoration and conservation projects, the resuscitation of Little Britain Street near Barts Hospital and St Paul's won an award for GMA Architects. The Oxo Tower Wharf, on

the South Bank of the Thames, won the prize in the Urban Regeneration category for the architects Lifschutz-Davidson. The tower now houses workshops, retail units, social housing, and a luxury restaurant, brasserie and café with superb views.

A special award in memory of Popli Khalat-Bari, who worked for British Sky Broadcasting from 1991 until her death in 1995 at the age of 29. went to the Stephen Hawking Special Educational Needs School in Tower Hamlets, east London, by the architects Haverstock Associates. The building was commended for its light, open, brightly colourful and welcoming character.

The other buildings shortlisted were:

The Meadowbank Club built for Cable & Wireless in Twickenham by MacCormac Jamieson, Prichard: Number 3 The Square. Stockley Park, at Uxbridge, west London, office development by Arup Associates: Avonbank Gardens public lavatories in Stratford upon Avon, by Michael Reardon & Associates; and the new head-quarters building for Matthew Gloag & Son Ltd, the whisky distillers, near Perth, by the architects BDP of Glasgow.

Lord Todd

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life and work of Lord Todd will take place in St Margaret's Church. Westminster Abbey, at non on Wednesday, July 16, 1997. All are welcome, and those wishing to append are propertied to append ing to attend are requested to apply for tickets, for this service only, to The Rector's Secretary, Room 16. I Little Cloister, Westminster Abbey, SWIP 3PL, enclosing a first-class stamped addressed envelope. Tick-ets will be posted from July 7.

Lord and Lady Wedgwood

Lord and Lady Wedgwood regret they were unable to anend the memorial service for Dame Veronica Wedgwood, OM, on June 4.

Meeting

Royal Over-Seas League Mr Alan Lee Williams, chairman of the Transport on Water Association, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the discussion circle of the Royal Over-Seas League held last night at Over-Seas House, St James's, Mr T.S Lansley presided.

Building awards

Lord St John of Fawsley, Chair-man of the Royal Fine Art Commission, and Mr Sam Chisholm, Chief Executive and Managing Director of British Sky Broadcast-ing Limited, presided at the pres-entation of the Royal Fine Art Commission/British Sky Broadcasting Building of the Year Awards at the Savoy Hotel on Monday, June 9. Lord Rothschild, Chairman of

the National Heritage Memorial Fund, presented the award to the Dean of Hereford Cathedral for the winning building, the Chained Library, which also houses the Mappa Mundi. He also presented certificates for Restoration and Conservation to Little Britain. London ECI. and for Urban Regeneration to the Oxo Tower Wharf, London SEI. Miss Seilina Scott presented a special award in memory of Popli Khalat-Bari, to the Stephen Hawking Special Educational Needs School at

Tower Hamlets, London El-4. Members of the Diplomatic Corps and both Houses of Parliament were present at a reception held in the River Room afterwards.

King's College Junior School

The Governors of King's College School, Wimbledon, are pleased to announce the appointment as Headmaster of the Junior School. of Mr John Evans, who will succeed the present Headmaster, Mr Colin Holloway, when the latter retires in the summer of 1998. Mr. Evans, who is 49, is at present Senior Master at King's College School.

University news

Rory Guy Eliiott (Classics), for-merly of St Paul's School, London. has been elected to an Exhibition at Oriel College, Oxford.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr H.C.M.B. Peto and Miss L.I. Baick-Foote The engagement is announced between Henry Christopher between Henry Christopher Morton Bampfylde, eldest son of Sir Michael Peto, of Kirknewton, Northumberland, and of Mrs Northumberland, and of Mrs Charles Worthington, of North Molton, Devon, and Louise Imagen, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Christopher Balck-Foote, of Stockcross, Berkshire.

Mr J.H. Thomas and Miss D.M. Roles The engagement is announced between Julian Humby, youngest ion of Sir Jereniy and Lady

Thomas, of East Lavant, Sussex. and Deborah Macbean, younger daughter of Dr Nick and Dr Wendy Roles, of Chobham. Surrey Mr C. Fox

and Mile A-C. Le Deunif The engagement is announced between Charles, second son of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Fox, of Lacock. Wilishire, and Anne-Catherine. daughter of Dr and Mme Rene Victor Le Deunff, of Gourin,

Mr W.P. Goodall and Miss A.I. Ward

The engagement is announced between William Peter, son of Mr John Goodall, of Amesbury, and the late Mrs Joan Goodall, and Ailsa Isabel, daughter of Dr Anthony Ward, of Wonersh, and Mrs Linda Ward, of Capel, Surrey.

Mr R.J. King and Miss C.A. Greenwood The engagement is announced between Jameson, son of Mr Richard King, of Somerset, and Mrs Janet Lougee, of Farthingstone, Northamptonshire, and Charlone, eldest daughter of the ate Mr John M.F. Greenwood and of Mrs Cecily Greenwood, of Rotherfield, East Sussex.

Mr R.F. Smart and Miss S.A. Brown The engagement is announced between Robert, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Smart, of Worstead, Norfolk, and Shute. Devon, and Samantha, daughter of Mr and Mrs Malcoim Brown, of

Mr B. Viner and Mrs S. Glass The engagement is announced between Brian Viner, of Sheffield, and Susan Glass, of Kingston on

Ascot. Berkshire.

BIRTHS: James Francis Edward Stuart, the "Old Pretender". London, 1688; Gustave Courbet. pointer. Ornans, France, 1819; rederick (Fritz) Loewe, composer, Vienna. 1901; Sir Terence Ranigan. dramatist, London, 1911: Judy Garland, film star, Grand Rapids, Minnesota, 1922.

DEATHS: King George I, reigned 171+27. Osnabruck. Germany,

between Nigel, younger son of Mr and Mrs Richard Thwaites, of Barford, Warwickshire, and Barford, Warwickshire, and Samantha Cheryl, daughter of Mr Arthur Evans, of Fleet, Hampshire, and Mrs Stephanie Evans, of Frensham Heights, Surrey. Mr J.G. White and Miss J.H. Crawford

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The engagement is announced between James, eldest son of ieutenant Colonel and Mrs John White, of Brafferton, North Yorkshire, and Jane, daughter of Mr and Mrs John Crawford, of Altrincham, Cheshire.

Mr J.M. Wortley and Miss C.I. Jackson

The engagement is announced between Jonathan Mark, only son of Mrs E. Wortley, of Golcar, Yorkshire, and elder son of Mr M. Wortley, of Cape Town, South Africa, and Christina Isabel, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs Richard Jackson, of Barton, Cambridge.

Marriages

Mr P.D. Boxford and Miss I.E. Steven

The marriage took place on Sat-urday, at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist, Norwich, of Mr Paul Boxford, only son of Mr and Mrs David Boxford, of Northampton, and Miss Joanne Steven, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John Steven, of Norwich.

Mr C.B. Braithwaite und Miss L.J. Job

The marriage took place on Saturday, June 7, at Adderbury Church, Oxfordshire, of Mr Christopher Braithwaite, younger son of Mr and Mrs Brian Braithwaite, of Clapham Common, to Miss Laura Job, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Job, of Adderbury. The Rev John Holbrook and Canon John Oates, of St Bride's Fleet Street.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was at-tended by Miss Sarah Rosser. Jessica Brunner-Ellis and Hannah Sichel. Mr Colin Heber-Percy was best man. A reception was held at The Old

Vicarage.

<u>Anniversaries</u>

1727; André-Marie Ampère, physicist. Marseilles. 1836; Pierre Loti,

novelist. Hendaye, France, 1923: Giacomo Matteotti, anti-Fascist, murdered. Rome. 1924: Antonio Gaudi, architect, Barcelona, 1926; Frederick Delius, composer, Grezsur-Loing, 1934: Spencer Tracy. actor, 1967.

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MRILIVANT - On 31st May, to Louise (née Osborn) and Adrian, a daughter, Sophie Claire Lucy, a sister for James CLEMBOW - On June 6th. 20

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COX - On June 4th at The Portland Hospital, to Man Portland Hospital, to Mary (née Ladd) and John, a daughter, Sarah, a sister for COZERS - On 31st May, to Jane (née Golding) and Stephen, a son, Matthias Michael James, a brother for Miles

FABER - On june 6th at The Portland Hospital, to Sheila and Christopher, a daughter, Jacqueline Coltman, a sister lie Cettlin.

PLEAT WOOD - On May 23rd in Mismi, to India Ricks and David Flint Wood, a son,

HARES - On june 3rd at The Portland Hospital, to Dani (née Duclos) and Richard, a daughter, Helena Christina, a sister for Max and Olivia. HARVEY - On 7th May 1997, to Sharon and Richard, beautiful twin daughters, Ella and Charlotte.

MAYLEY - On 31st May 1997, in Singapore, to Shella (née Ingram) and Alec, a son, James Christopher Alec, hrother to Andrew. NOWE - On May 28th, to Kat

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HURT - On 31st May 1997, to Karen (née Assat) and Robert, a daughter, Katherine Amy. OSEPH - On June 7th 1997, to Victories (née Walker) and Charles, a son, Guy Rory Emjants

LAW - On 2nd June at The Fortland Hospital, to Josephine (née Schmeisser) and Andrew, a daughter, MARSACH - On june 6th at The Portland Hospital, to Nichole and Claude, a daughter, Alexia, a sister for Tiphania.

TAPITAMO - On June 6th at The Fortland Hospital, to Deborah (née Stone) and Jonathan, a son, James Henry Stone Martland, a Inother for Charles. NUME - On June 5th 1997, to Judy (nee Scott) and Michael, a daughter,

dichael, a daughter, rancesca Laura Phoebe.

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SANTANA - On 5th june 1997 in Las Palmas, to Fleather (née Adams) and Gregorio, a daughter, Mirands.

SHAW - On 5th June 1997, to Melrion (née Slot) and Tim, a daughter, Caltlin, a sister for 5am. UPSON - On June 3rd 1997 at The Fortland Hospital, to Mariama (née Turay) and James, a beautiful son, Edward James.

WILLIAMS - On January 4th 1997, to Brett and Harriet, a beautiful daughter, Ella Louise, a sister for Thomas, Richolas and Victoria.

MARRIAGES

PRECEAMENTE - The marriage took place on Saturday 7th june at St Edbergs Church, Bicester between Mark Paul Spinks only son of Paul and Barbara and Justine Rachel

TRIGGRIFE - On Saturday 7th June in London of Mr Michael Trigg, only son of Mrs Betty Trigg and the late Mr Albert Trigg, Nottingham and Selly Ann, second daughter of Mr and Mrs David Kite, Bridgnorth, Simpahja

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

ARRIEY - Shells and David would like to thank everyone for their letters, cards and flowers following the sudden death of their son Andrew. They are especially grateful for the support of both families.

DEATHS

SENTON - David on June 5th at home. Dearly beloved husband of Estelle and stepfather of Adrienne and christopher. Funeal Service on Wednesday June 18th at 2.15 pm at All Salarts Church, Dibden, Hampshire, followed by cremation at Southmapton Crematorium at 3.30 pm. Family flowers only, Denastions if desired to Mackillan Nurses Fund c/o E Sallum & Son Funeral Directors, 185 Long Lane, Holbury, Southmapton SO45 2PA.

disd at home on 8th June following a stroke some weeks earlier. (At Bowler of the County Offices, Matlock until 1976). A devoted brother and friend, Funcai Sarvice at 8t Peter's Church, Belper, on 12th June at 11am, followed by interment at Belper Cemetery, Pandly flowers only, but donations if desired to St Peter's Church.

DEATHS

RREEZE - On june 5th 1997.

Wendy Sylvia. Beloved wife of john, mother to john and Jeannette, grandmother of William, James, Sophie, Nathes and Jean Funeral Service at the Worthing Crematorium, Findon, on Thursday June 12th at 10.50am. Flowers or dountions please to E.D. Tribe Ltd., 62 See Lane, Hustington, West Sussez.

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Geraldine Therese "Jill" (née
Ellis) aged 91 years. Loving
mother of Ellisabeth and
Geoffrey, grandmother and
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Church, Cuckfield, Sussez,
m. Frietze June 13th at 13th on Friday June 13th at 12 noon. Family, flowers only please. Donations if desired to Couldfeld FCC 4/o F 4 3

DEVLIM - Brian Lt. Col. (ret'Q)
BAMC, OBE, MB, ChB,
peacefully on 7th June 1997
after a long filness. Dearly
loved husband of Esther and
father of Fiona, Hugh, Mark
and Patrick, Funeral Service
on Priday 13th june at 2 pm.
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CMRIMES - Harry died peacefully at home aged 82, much loved busheed of See, father of Anne, Elizabeth, Richolas and Janey. Private fumeral. Pamily flowers only. A Service of Thanksgiving will be arranged and a date emeaced in the course.

CUSDIN - On June 5th.
Peacefully at her home at
Ringshall, Little Geddensen,
Eva E. (Feggy). Much loved
wife of Dr. S.E.T. Cusdin.
Funeral Service Tuesday
June 17th at Little
Geddensen Church at 2 pm.
No flowers. Donations if
desired to St Andrew-by-theWardrobe Church c/o
Malcolm Jones & Metcalfe,
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DAVES - Shirley Brooks of Preston, Eath and lattedy, Rutland, died guddenly at home on June 5th 1997. Despity loved & loving wife of Martin, mother of Stephen, Peter and Louise, adored grandmother to Sophie, Anse, Sebastian, Jonathan, Hannah, Simone, Tessa and Matthew. Beloved gister to Pat. We love you etermally.

Gallagher, Fraser House, Triangle Boad, Haywards Heath, RH16 4HW, telt (01444) 451166. CAZALET - On June 6th 1997 after a short illness, Elisa, recently of The Dower Bows, Handbourse worthy, Winchester in her 89th year, House, Headbourne Worthy, Winchester in her 89th year, beloved wife of the late Vica Ministel St. Peter Camilet

LIGHTHELL - Essie. On 8th June Basis died peacefully. She will be greatly missed by family and her many friends. Funeral at Golders Green Crematorium (Wost Chapel) on 10th June at 330 pm. Her son Brian would like to thank the staff at The Princess Alice Hospice, Esher, for their care and kindness over Essie's last few days.

only. Donations for either P.N.H. or Q.A.R.A.N.C.

HEVLAND - Marjoria Peggy, (née Lanchester Jones), wife if the tree Column Dermond Heyland, died peacefully at her daughter's home on Thursday 5th June, a day hefore her 91st birthday, the nauch-loved mother of Sun, Michael and Sallie. A Thanksgiving Service will be held at 8t Mary's Chutch at Bures, Suffolk on Friday 4th July at 3.30pm.

Lodge Puneral

HUM - Sermand Pierre Bearl of Esiling, London, passed away suddenly on 4th June 1997. Beloved husband of Endsa and father of Christine, Nathalie and Galliaume and father-in-law to Michael, Requiem Mass to be beald at St Benedicts Esting Abbey at 10.30 am on Thunsday 12th June, followed by a private cremation Floral tributes to Christopher Wickenden Funeral Directors, 71 Gesenford Avenne, Exawell, W7 1LJ. Memorial Service to be held, details to be announced. ard Pierre Henri of

RHSAII - Heamor Mary on 7th June, peacefully at Khandir after a short illness, aged 87. Widow of Jack, mother of David and Helen, grandmother of Ann, Laura and Harriet and of the late Hisabeth Sister of Ted, John and Tony Profit, mother-in-law of John and Jane. Deanly lowed by all her family, her riemers and the Ceredigion Guild of Splinners and Weavers. Funeral Service at Lianina Church Thusday 12th June at 2 pm. Gerden flowers, planse. Let us hope that we can all be the same as Heamor, in old egs.

MEMPTOM - Genald aged 72, died on 3rd June in St George's Hospital, Tooting. Beloved husband of Shriey, brother of Famy, father of Stephen and Helanie and grandfather of Alax, Sam, Jake and Freya. Funeral Service at Croydon Crematorium 12th June 11.15 am. No flowers. Donations to Quaker Central Funds, London.

MacLEAN - On June 6th 1997 at Leicester General Hospital, Dr. LR. MacLean (Mac) sged 66 years of (Mac) siged 66 years of Kettering Dearly loved heshand and father. Funeral Service at The Albert Munn Chapel. Esttering Cressronius, on Tailoy June 13th at 11.15 am. Femily flowers only please, but it desired denations for Fost Gradust Medical Centre may be sent to Jack Warwick Funeral Director, Wallis Road, Kettering (01536) 85635.

MAXWELL - The Someomide Alan Victor in Sydney on June 6th. Much loved brother of Betty Reck, Margaret Gregory and Alien Miller

SOUTH - Leith W. Brin ORE, suddenly on 4th june 1997 aged BY peace, Funeral Service at Surrey and Sussen Crematorium, Worth, on Thursday 12th June at 415pm Pamily Inwars only. Desaitons if desired to the Army Benerolient Fund may be sent to F. Davey & Co., 31 High Street, Hunstylerpoint, West Tune 18th 777, Lt. (01273) 832179.

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MEMERARD - On 5th June, 1997
at the King Edward VII
Hospital, Guernsey, Capt.
Harry William Mingard, T D,
of Les Eccquestes Hotel, St
Peter Port, Guernsey,
formerly of Orpington, aged
92 years. Dearly loved
husband of the late Ethel
(nose Benfield), hoved father
and father-in-law of Sally
and Econnic Johnson, loved
and respected grandfather of and father-in-law of Sally and Romale Johnson, loved and respected grandfather of Mark and Claire. Funeral to be held at St Andrew's Church in the Grange, St Peter Port on Wednesday, 11th June. If desired, donations to the Army Renevolant Fund, clo Lt. Col. C. C. Durary Lee, Goupheye.

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MAPER - Prodence Hero (née
Entheriord). Anthropologist.
Aged 81. Died peacefully on
the Isle of Mull on June 6th
1997, after a long filmess.
Widow of Dr. John Napier,
loving mother to Eugo and
Geamin, sister to Eppy and
Lavender, grandmother to
Crimdo and Miles. Greatly
loved - sorely missed.
Enquiries: (01688) 500262. MENDICK - David Alam Challoner CBE aged 64. Seleved husband of Mirken and fither of ian, Hannah and Elizabeth. Died peacefully at Teovil District Hospital on June 6th 1997, of complications following a

Hospital on june 6th 1997, of complications following a heart attack. Family funeral this week. Memorial Service will be held in Sherbozze Abbey, Dorset, on Saturday July 5th at 2 jun Donations in lieu of flowers to The Church Mission Society, clo Michael Butler, Partnership House, 157 Waterloo Road, London SE1 SUU. MOTI-BOWER - Peacefully at home on 6th June 1997, Angels Beatrice, ayed 94, widow of Brig. E. Nott-Bower ORE MC Much loved mother, grandmother and quast-condimether who will mother, grandmother and goat-grandmother who will be sedly missed. Funeral Service to be held at Chapel of Ease, Colyford (East Devon) on Friday 13th June at 2 pm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired for St Michaels Church, Colyford may be given at the Service or sent c/o Overmass & Chapple (Funerals), Chapple Court, Queen Street, Seaton, EX12, 238, ep. (01297).

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OCLETHORPE - I. Kanneth MC, FD, FCA, on 8th June. Dearly loved husband, father and grandfather. Family foneral. No flowers. Donations if wished to MS, 2 Meadway Drive, Horsell, Woking GUZ1 4TA. The family will be at home to his friends from 2.30 pm on Friday 13th June to tosat his memory.

OLDING - Christopher peacefully at home on 8th June aged 64, beloved limsbend of Alban and marks.

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Dryden Road, Emeier ELZ 5]].

PRICE - Barby (née Naumann)
died at King Edward VII
Hospital, Midhurst, on
Sunday 8th June after e
short illness contageously
borne. Beloved widow of
David, mother of Caris,
Annie and Gilly, Funeral and
Service of Thanksgiving on
Tuesday 17th June at
2.30pm at St Mary's Church,
Chiomarcid, family flowers
and private burial.
Honations to Marmillan
Unit, King Edward VII
Hospital or BrSS, to be sent
to J. Gozzinge and Son, 55
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SPERCE - Muriel Evelyn on June 7th 1997, peacefully, aged SR. Wittow of Damsot Spence, much loved mother of Leith, Nicholas, Jonathan and Sandra, and generous grandmother. Funeral Tunbridge Wells Crematorium, Friday June 13th 11.30 am.

13th 11.30 am.

TAYLOR - Sarah Jane (née Mote) after a short illness peacefully at home on the morning of 8th June 1997 with her family around her. Loved by all those who knew her and whose lives she continues to touch. Services of Thanksgiving at \$5 John's Church, Lindow, Enutsford Road, Wilmslow at 1 pm on Pridsy 13th June. Flowers may be sent or if preferred a donation to Macanillan Nurses. All flowers and donations to Albert 2 Slack (Funeral Director) Ltd, tak Wilmslow (01625) 525063.

TAYLOR - David Michael on

TAYLOR - David Michael on 4th June retired Solicitor of Tarmac Construction and John Mowlem & Company died peacefully in Weston General Hospital after an illuess. Cremation in Somerset on 12th June at 12 1200 p. Enquiries to Janet noon. Enquiries to Jan. 01746 767707. O1746 767707.

THOMPSON - On June Sth after a brave fight Christopher John Thompson aged 53, peacefully at home amildst his family and friends. Hortensis, George, Laura and his mother Madge Cherish the memories of cherish the memories of the life of Denis Dowling at Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Maiden Lane, Corent Garden, WCZ, at I pm on Priciny 13th June. Laura and his mother among cherish the memories of their life together and are devestated that he has been taken from them so prematurely, Funcial Service at 5t Andrew's Church, Cohlean an Trackey lime

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TULLY Produces Elimbeth (née Lyell) died on Friday 6th June 1997 aged 54, beloved wife of Nigel and mother of Giles and Luna. Funeral private. There will be a celebration of Proe's life afterwards at Puddephats at 12:30 pm on Friday 13th June. If you are coming please telephone (0171) 202-3162.

TURMER - Geoffrey Harry in his 97th year. Much loved by Altson, Eosita, Nigel, Katy, Jonquil and his many friends, On 9th June at home in Oxton, Birkenbead. WARD - On 28th May 1997 Iris Violet Irene, Dr. of Medicise, formerly Assistant Medical Officer of Health at

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loving hesband of the late
Cyliz and beloved father of
Emma, Kate, Henrietta and
Nicholas, Grandfather to
Harriet, Funeral Monday
16th June at S. Peter and St.
Paul, Deddington at 2 pm.
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to John and Margaret,
Grandfather and GreatGrandfather. Died suddenly,
at the age of 91, after he had
thoroughly enjoyed the first
day of the Test Match.
Funeral at Bretby
Crematorium (Derby)
11.30am Monday 16th june.
No flowers. Any donations to
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MAGDA GABOR



Left to right, Magda, Jolie, Eva and Zsa Zsa Gabor in the family Palm Springs jewellery salon

Magda Gabor, former actress and businesswoman, died in Rancho Mirage, California, on June 6 aged 78. She was born in Budapest in 1919.

he most retiring of the three Gabor sisters if that term is appropriate to any member of a family of such stridently audible and visible propensiries - Magda had the briefest of careers as an actress. She otherwise concentrated her energies on the jewellery boutiques she owned in Palm Springs and Miami, as well as in Europe. Like her sisters she also married prolifically, her final tally of six weddings outdoing that of her late youngest sister Eva., but falling short of the eight marriages entered into to date by

Zsa Zsa. The daughter of a Hungarian jeweller, Vilmos Gabor. and his wife Jolle, she was, like her sisters, the beneficiary of the sheer willpower of a moth-

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ters and then singlemindedly executed her gameplan. To equip her daughters for the brilliant marriages she expected them to make (she always felt that her own marriage had brought her down in the world) she sent them to the best schools in Europe. There they learnt to ride, play tennis, play the piano, and to acquire the kind of social polish. charm and, above all, blondetressed beauty which natural-

ly partners diamonds. After leaving her finishing school in Lausanne, Magda made the first of her marriages, to an RAF pilot. But this was not at all what Mama Jolie had in mind and the family gravitated to Hollywood in her wake in the 1930s. Her second and third marriages were to New York lawvers and the fourth was to a Hungarian nobleman.

Marriage No 5 was to the British-born actor George Sanders (aka "the cad" through his playing of such film roles). Sanders had already married into the Gabor ed out careers of clan since a previous trip to the evolved as great eclat for all her daugh- register office had been with armoury of charms, the show survives.

Magda's sister Zsa Zsa. Magda's tilt at marriage to Sanders was to last far less long than Zsa Zsa's and within two months the couple were citing "irreconcilable differences" as they moved towards an annulment in the California courts.

One of the stumbling blocks was, apparently, that Magda's appetite for parties was considerable greater than that of her sexagenarian spouse; indeed, he died not long after their divorce.

In the 1950s Magda Gabor had acted briefly on radio with her mother, and in 1953 the three sisters had a stage act called This Is Our Life at the Last Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas. This Is Our Life leatured the Gabor girls singing and dancing as well as having something of the nature of a chat show.

To the surprise of the critics, who had imagined it was to be a tiresome exhibition of sisterly love conducted in the famously fractured Hungarian English which they had part of their was surprisingly good, and Magda, who was far less wellknown at that time than her siblings, was adjudged to have carried it. Her business acumen was

also useful to the enterprise since it was she who arranged what was generally regarded as being an extremely lucrative contract. The show had from the outset been a highrisk venture, since it pitted the sisters against Marlene Dietrich, then the top Las egas nightclub act.

But apart from that episode, and a flirtation with television, acting did not really appeal to Magda. Her forte was the string of jewellery boutiques she operated with her mother in New York, Palm Beach, Paris and London.

After the breakdown of her marriage to George Sanders she married, in 1972, a Hungarian economic consultant. He predeceased her. There were no children of any of her

Eva Gabor died in 1995. Her mother Jolie died in April aged 97, and only her sister Zsa Zsa

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TOM TAYLOR

Thomas Taylor, deputy principal of Henley Management College died of cancer on May 25 aged 60. He was born on October 6, 1936.

TOM TAYLOR was a taxman suspicious of the effects of high marginal taxes, and a management specialist who, as a former civil servant, was sceptical of interference by the cumbersome machinery of government.

His career spanned two different worlds. As a tax inspector on secondment to Somerset House, he was one of the architects of VAT, the reform of corporation tax and an early advocate (in the late 1960s) of reduced higher rates of marginal tax, which he saw as self-defeating. In 1970 he moved to the Henley Management College (then the Admin-istrative Staff College), of which he was later to become deputy principal.

Thomas Cecil Leonard Taylor was born in Buckingham, the elder son of Leonard and Emily Taylor. His father was a pharmacist and his mother the daughter of a builder who served as Mayor of the town.

He was educated at Macdalen College School, Brackley, the Royal Latin School, Buckingham, and New College, Oxford, where he read Modern History. From Oxford he joined the Civil Service, opting, unusually, for a place in the Inland Revenue's tax inspectorate, because at university he had been fascinated by 19th-century rax policy.

The seven years he spent in the tax inspectorate were the minimum to secure an appointment as a district inspector of taxes, though in the event he occupied such as post for only a few months. The Board of Inland Revenue had a different career path in mind for him, so he passed into the administrative class as a principal in the board's secretaries' office.

Within a year he was deeply involved in a series of major tax reforms. Three areas of the work made an impact on Whitehall. First, there was a brief encounter with the embryonic Value Added Tax, before the decision was made to opt instead for a system easier for Customs and Excise to handle. Second, but of much greater importance, was the major reform of corporation tax; and third was the evaluation of the advantages



and disadvantages of a wealth tax. It was intellectually challenging work, made more fascinating by the ideas streaming from the special advisers to the successive Chancellors of the time.

One controversial issue was the effect of very high marginal rates of income tax. Did they or did they not have economic consequences? Ministers were usually advised that academic research firmly supported the view that high marginal rates had very little effect on work incentives. But Taylor believed that this took too little account of managers' actual behaviour. He felt that there were significant potential gains to be won from a major reform of the higher rate system. He was increasingly convinced that the Treasury and other government departments needed to know more lemma was solved when the

about management practices. During this period, the Inland Revenue took a decision which Taylor from then on regarded as one of the turning points of his life. This was to send him on the II-week

general management course at the Administrative Staff College, Henley-on-Thames. He came to see this as crucial because it was at Henley that he discovered an interest in management and management development that could never be fully satisfied within the Civil Service. From then on, he found his frustration with the organisational deficiencies of a large government department increasingly hard to bear. Abandoning his career in

taxation was not an easy decision, but fate stepped in. After a chance encounter on Waterloo Bridge, Taylor's di-

principal of the Henley college. J. P. Martin-Bates, telephoned him one evening to see whether he would be interested in a one or possibly twoyear appointment.

The work was to be primarily in the development of a course on managerial finance. to complement the work being done by the college on corporate finance and the raising of capital. Taylor accepted, and two years later his position became permanent.

At the college he devised and taught a number of courses in managerial finance, financial planning and control. The subjects were new in management schools, and so was his approach. Within a short time, he had taken over as director of studies of the major programmes, and a few years later he became deputy principal. He retired in 1995 because of failing health.

Many middle managers on Henley courses were keen to fathom what they saw as the mysteries of finance and accounting. Taylor gave them the confidence to challenge the accountancy profession, which he thought held too much power in British industry.

He was also sceptical about the effectiveness of government involvement in industry. long before this view became the orthodoxy in the 1980s under Margaret Thatcher. This derived from his observations of the limited effectiveness of government at first hand, before he joined the college.

As deputy principal, in charge of the college's finances, he had the opportunity to practise what he preached. He was keen on detail and control, but only when it was helpful in making decisions and did not unduly constrain creativity. He believed that staff are most valuable when managed on a loose rein, and his firm grasp of facts and figures was balanced by a sensitivity to the views and feelings of others.

Students, managers and the Henley faculty all relied on his wise counsel. In all that he did he showed clear-headed competence, analytical ability. calmness and dignity.

His family was the centre of his life, and he gained strength from their support. He is survived by his wife Doreen whom he married in 1967, and by their two sons.

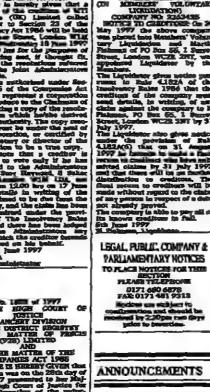
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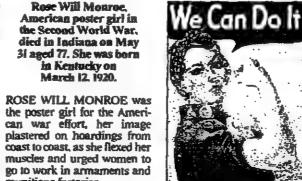
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plastered on hoardings from coast to coast, as she flexed her muscles and urged women to go to work in armaments and munitions factories. Yet she became a national icon almost by accident. Although she was generally credited with persuading 20

million women to join the

wartime conveyor belts, her own journey to the factory floor was not motivated by patriotism at all. Born in Kentucky, Monroe moved to the industrial state of Michigan at just about the time America came into the Second World War. But her motive for taking a job as a riveter was to feed her two young daughters. The previ-ous year she had lost her

imperative. Later, however, she became an arch-patriot after being "discovered" by the Hollywood actor Walter Pidgeon. who went on location to the factory in which she was

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working to shoot a promotional film in aid of the war effort. Already, the song Rosie the Riveter by Kay Kyser (inspired by a Long Island woman factory worker, named Rosa-lind P. Walter) was a hit on the radio. and when Pidgeon learnt that a woman riveter by the name of Rose worked at the factory, he asked to meet her. Subsequently he invited her to join him in the film. which was shown in cinemas across the continent, between "shorts" designed to encour-

age patrons to buy war bonds.
With the "Rosie the Riveter" poster hanging on the walls of every government office and munitions plant, the image of Monroe as the woman who had rolled up her sleeves for her country caught the patriotic imagination.



Later in the war Monroe applied to join the US Air Force, hoping to learn to fly. but she was passed over because she was a single mother.

Monroe, like thousands of other women, was forced out of factory life when the GIs returned home. Nevertheless. she remained a tireless worker, driving a taxi, running a

beauty salon and founding a building company. Rose Builders.

Once the war was over

In her fifties she fulfilled her lifelong dream by becoming a pilot, but paid a heavy price for her ambition when, in 1978, she lost both a kidney and the vision in her left eye as the result of an accident in a light aeroplane. She is survived by her two

daughters.

THE FAR EAST. **CHINESE CONCESSION** TO ENGLAND. FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

PEKING, June 9

Sir Claude MacDonald signed to-day with the Tsung-li-Yamen a Convention leasing to Great Britain certain territories around Hong-kong for the better protection of the colony. The Convention signed to-day embodies the agreement made on May 2 for a lease of the territory on the mainland behind Kaulung up to a line joining Mirs Bay and Deep Bay, as well as of the neighbouring island of Lantao. There are some important additions. China retains the north shores of Mirs Bay China retains the north shores of Mirs Bay and Deep Bay, but leases to Great Britain all the waters of both bays, reserving only the right to use them for her own ships whether belligerent or neutral. The total area leased will be under British jurisdiction, except within the native city of Kau-lung. The lease is for 99 years, and becomes operative on July 1

Our Peking Correspondent this morning announces the definitive con-

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基型的心脏 Under the agreement reached on May 27, 1985, Hong Kong will soon become

part of the People's Republic of China. The Treaty of Nanking in 1842 formally ceded the island to Britain. clusion of the negotiations with China

for the much-needed extension of the British limits in Hong-kong . . .

Hitherto the colony has been confined to the island of Hong-kong proper, which we ob-tained in 1842 by the Treaty of Nan-king, and of the small patch upon the mainland known as British Kau-lung, ceded to us by the Peking Convention of 1860. This small district, which lies directly north of Victoria, the capital of the colony, has proved of great value, both for the construction of docks and accommodation for the increasing population and for the erection of manufactories. But it had not even the

ghost of a *Hinterland*. It stopped short at an imaginary line drawn east and west a little south of the native city of Kau-lung.

By the Convention of yesterday we acquire a lease not only of the whole promontory of Kau-lung, but of the considerable peninsula from which it projects. The south-western coast of this peninsula is the north-eastern shore of the Lia-mun Pass, one of the main superpose from the open see into Mona long. entrances from the open sea into Hong-kong

The channel is barely half a mile wide, and might of course easily be commanded by anybody in possession of the adjoining mainland. Mirs Bay might have afforded, i has been suggested, opportunities for landing to an enterprising foe not over-burdened with scruples or apprehensions as to the con-sequences of violating Chinese territory.

The tenancy of Lan-tao Island confers upon us similar advantages on the west of Hongkong island. Ships making for the port sail up the west side of Lan-tao Island and then round its northern point through the pass, which has been commanded upon both shores by Chinese territory until now. It will be seen by this description that we have not asked from the Chinese Government anything but what was absolutely indispensable for the military and civil necessities of our colony.

THE TIMES TODAY

NEWS

France thinks again on euro

France created new doubts over monetary union after openly clashing with Germany about rules governing how a single European currency should be run.

The new Socialist Government's refusal to accept the agreed "stability pact" imposing tough budgetary disciplines on countries which adopt the euro created jitters on stock markets across the continent and raised fresh concerns for the European summit in Amsterdam on Monday...

Tory hopefuls bring out the canapes

■ The Tory leadership contenders launched their final pitch for support last night over champagne and canapes, William Hague, who has pledged to reduce the average age of the Tory activist from 64 to 32, chose the Carlton Club in St James's, a bastion of old Torvism... ___ Pages 1, 13

Rantzen accused

Esther Rantzen was accused of sacrificing the interests of vulnerable people to the greater glory of her ego. Paul Watson, producer of fly-on-the-wall documentaries. said that she exploited the politics ..Page 1

Diplomat stabbed

The British charge d'affaires in Tirana was stabbed in the abdomen after what is believed to have been a quarrel with his Albanian girlfriend

Welfare shake-up

Harriet Harman and Frank Field have drawn up a 10 year programme for a radical shake-up of the welfare state including proposals to replace cash benefits with other forms of help...Page 2

'Lovely' Kray

Charlie Kray, elder brother of the notorious twins, was a lovely. lovely man who wouldn't say boo to two gooses. "Mad Frankie" Fraser told a court....

Oysters in court

A High Court jury was handed two dozen oysters at the start of a libel action brought by a supplier of shellfish to London's Ritz

Restoring colour

A contact lens designed to help people suffering from colour blindness has been developed by an optician at St James's Hospital

Baby 'not viable'

A mother wept as she said that a doctor left her premature baby daughter to die in her arms after pronouncing her "not viable". even though she was moving and breathing normally...... Page 9

Men in danger

The Government is to launch a health campaign for men with the stark message that the modern male's eating and drinking is kill-

Japan accused

Japan and Norway are trying to "slip through unnoticed" amendments relaxing the hunting of whales, said Greenpeace Page 14

Kohl property sale

Helmut Kohl's Government, beset with rumours of resignation and imminent collapse, is ready to embark on the biggest property sale since the war in an attempt to prop up the budget Page 15

Super bug scare

American health authorities are considering how to meet the threat of a new strain of the Staphylococcus aureus bacterium, found to be resistant even to the powerful antibiotic of last

instant revenge

Life is cheap in Sierra Leone and Freetown's remaining populace expressed little beyond passing curiosity when a thief was shot Page 6 dead on the spot Page 17

Tennessee Williams play found

■ A previously unknown play by Tennessee Williams is to be given its world premiere by the Royal National Theatre after being rediscovered by Vanessa Redgrave. Not About Nightingales, a harrowing story set in a tough American prison, had been hidden among documents owned by the American playwright's estate.



Tim Henman, Britain's leading tennis player, surrounded by autograph hunters at the Stella Artois championships. Page 50

BUSINESS

Emu concerns: The growing political crisis over monetary union spread to European markets with traders becoming increasingly nervous that the project is on the verge .Page 27 of collapsing.

House moves: Nigel Griffiths, Minister for Consumer Affairs. would like to stop gazumping by extending the house purchase system used in ScotlandPage 27

BAA plens: The company, reporting a 3 per cent fall in pre-tax profits to £407 million, said it may consider the sale of its McArthur _Page 27 Glen venture....

Markets: The FTSE 100 rose 41.7 to 4,686.7. The pound's index fell to 99, rising .62 cents to \$1.6337 but falling 2.28 pfennigs to

SPORT

Football: Brazil, the World Cup winners who meet England in their final match of the Tournoi de France, stand between them and a summer of unfettered optimism. Page 52

Cricket: Australia, beaten out of sight in the first Test at Edgbaston. have ten days to come to terms with an erosion of confidence in crucial areas of their team Page 48

Rugby union: Scott Quinnell became the third British Isles player to return home early from the tour of South Africa after aggravating an old groin injury......Page 52

Tennis: Andrew Richardson and Martin Lee recorded stirring victories over opponents far higher in the rankings at the Stella Artois . Page 30 | Championships ... __ Page 50

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Art shows: The Whitechanel Gallery celebrates the amorous amics of the Hindu god Krishna in its upstairs space, while downstairs the British sculptor Cathy de Monchaux explores sensuality in her show.

Music man: Simon Rattle conducts the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment with an electrifying . Page 20

Opera double: Opera North marks Korngold's centenary with a concert performance of Violanta: Glyndebourne revives Figaro with Charles Mackerras Page 21 Pop double: At the Fleadh, Van Morrison saves the day with a

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Missing out: Many young men and women have the ability to start a business but too few try; surveys by leading banks disagree on whether start-ups are falling Page 33

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Delay European monetary union? That would be death by instalment. unless Kohl and Chirac recognise that they have taken on too much. Monetary union does not create political union, rather political union is a prerequisite: a common vision of the future, a loyalty to Europe that is stronger than lovalty to Bonn, Paris or Rome

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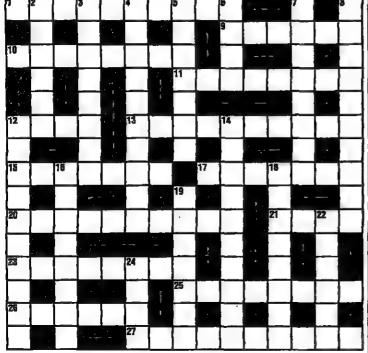
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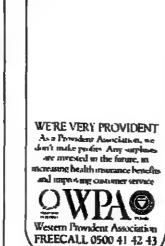
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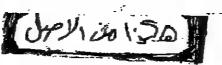


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Griffiths plans to outlaw gazump tactics

By Sarah Cunningham AND SARA McConnell

NIGEL GRIFFITHS. the Minister for Consumer Affairs, plans to stop gazumping in Britain by extending the way of buying houses used in Scotland.

Mr Griffiths, MP for Edinburgh South, told The Times yesterday: "Gazumping isn't a prob-lem in Scotland and it would be nice if we had a similar system down here." Gazumping has reemerged during the present housing boom, leading to offers for property above the level agreed with another buyer. The gazumped purchaser still has to pay solicitors' and

surveyors' bills. Mr Griffiths said that major changes to the law in England and Wales would be needed and would take a considerable time to put through.

This week estate agents will be asked to sign up to an extended ombudsman scheme, which would cover nearly three quarters of firms and provide an independent complaints proce dure for most homebuyers and sellers. The scheme could be in force by September as long as at least 1,000 agencies respond to the call from the National Association of Estate Agents, the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and the Incorporated Society of Valuers and

The existing ombudsman scheme only covers an estimated 3,000 firms that are part of large corporate chains.

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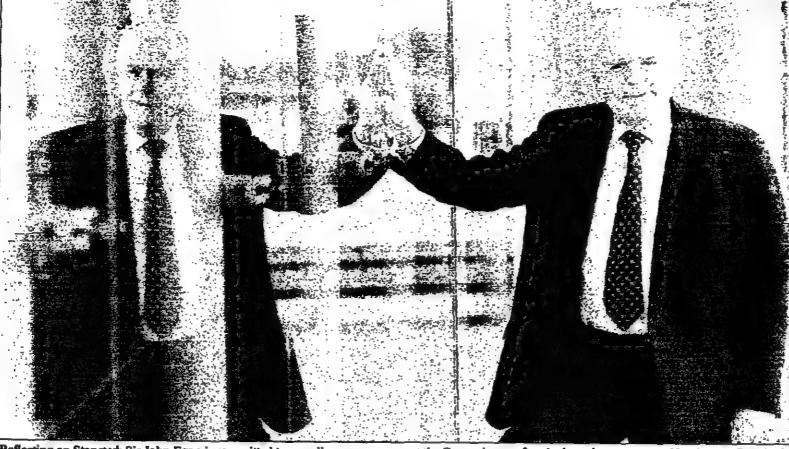
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Mr Griffiths is planning other moves to defend consumer interests. He has asked the Office of Fair Trading to take another look at petrol pricing with a view to opening an inquiry. It will be looking at "whether the independent retailers are being squeezed out of the market by major opera-

tors keeping prices low". He is also looking for ways of preventing consumers from having to pay more at home for some goods, such as jeans, than they would abroad.

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Reflecting on Stansted: Sir John Egan is committed to spending more money at the Essex airport after the huge investment on Heathrow's Terminal 5

Markets drop on fear of EMU collapse

By ALASDAIR MURRAY

THE growing political crisis over monetary union spread to European markets yesterday, with traders becoming increasingly nervous that the single currency project is on the verge of collapsing.

All the main stock markets, except London, suffered sharp falls while the mark made strong gains against most European currencies.

European stock markets olunged after Dominique Strauss-Kahn, the new French Finance Minister, told EU ministers in Luxembourg that the French Government wanted more time to examine the single currency stability pact.

Dealers said that M Strauss-Kahn's comments increased the chance of a delay to the start date for EMU and suggested that the new socialist French Government is at odds with Germany over single currency policy.
In Frankfurt the Dax index

closed down 27.86 points at 3,667.43, having started the day up on the back of gains on Wall Street. The CAC-40 index in Paris also finished 33.05 points lower at 2,686.20, while in Milan, the MIBTEL closed down 112 points at 12,165.

But the EMU uncertainty helped the mark to regain some of the ground it has lost in recent weeks over fears that Europe is heading towards a soft" single currency. The German currency gained three centimes against the

French franc, closing at Ffr3.3797 and rose from L986.0 to L987.1 against the Italian lira. The mark also made strong gains against the dollar and the pound, with sterling closing down over 2 plennigs at DM2.7915.

The London stock market was largely insulated from the latest bout of EMU turmoil as traders continued to take their

cue from a rising Wall Street. The FT-SE 100 closed up 41.7 points at 4.686.7 with the market unaffected by the latest set of strong economic data. Manufacturing output grew

by 0.6 per cent in April, taking the annual rate to 2.3 per cent - the largest rise for nearly two years. Industrial output also bounced back, after three consecutive monthly declines, to show growth of 1.2 per cent. Economists said the figures showed that the strong domes-

strength of the domestic economy emerges in the British Retail Consortium sales figures for May, out today. The value of retail sales rose by 4.8 tic economy was helping manufacturers to offset the per cent, against 4.1 per cent in negative impact of the strong April. But the growth in sales pound on exports. But there is running at a lower level than in May last year, when are still few signs of inflationsales increased by 6.2 per cent. and the Consortium said there was little sign of a high street boom prompted by building society windfall payments. The June Merrill Lynch-

/Gallup survey of fund managers showed institutional investors looking to reduce exposure to the UK stock market as interest rate rises and the strong pound are predicted to take their toll on corporate prolitability. But UK fund managers have become keen buyers of gilts after the granting of operational independence to the Bank of England.

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Buoyant BAA reviews factory outlets

BY CARL MORTISHED

THE retail property market boom is forcing BAA to consider the future of its investment in factory outlet retailing with McArthur Glen. The airports group said the joint venture, which lasts until 1999, could lead to a flotation or trade sale. BAA/McArthur Glen's Cheshire Oaks centre is valued at £50 million compared with a development cost two years ago of E24 million. BAA/McArthur Glen has three centres up and running with four scheduled to open next year. The company's aim is to seek a capital gain on its investment. Sir John Egan. BAA's chief executive, said: "It is not part of our core business." He said the venture had been useful in developing relationships with fashion and

retailing groups. BAA yesterday said it would shift airport development spen-ding to Gatwick and Stansled to alleviate airport congestion expected because of the delay in the Terminal 5 planning inquiry. BAA announced a £15 million project to develop a second satellite at Stansted as the company revealed a 10 per cent rise in pre-tax profit before exceptional items to £444 million. The planning delay has caused the airports group to write off £40 million in capitalised interest relating to the Heathrow project, leaving pre-tax profits after exceptional items down 3

per cent at £407 million. BAA spent E496 million on the airport in the year to March and expects to spend a further £500 million this year. Sir John said the group had plans for further rail projects, including stations to the north and south of Heathrow. His focus on BAA's investment record comes at a sensitive time with concerns that the windfall tax in the Budget next month may catch BAA in its net. Sir John said he welcomed the Government's determination to en-

courage public-private partnership and promote public transport in the London area, "We look forward to working with John Prescott in a spirit of genuine partnership," he said. BAA forecast traffic growth of more than 5 per cent in the current year after last year's 4.6 per cent advance which helped

to raise revenues 9.6 per cent. including an 11 per cent rise in net retail income. BAA is lifting the dividend for the year by 10 per cent to 12.4p after pre-exceptional earnings of 32p (29p).

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Norwich subscribers face share delay

NORWICH UNION members who apply for extra shares in the insurer's imminent flotation will receive their share certificates a week later than institutions and other members.

five days of trading, members may lose the benefit of their 25p-a-share discount to the institutional price. Brokers say that many investors plan to sell quickly for a profit and that the price may be volatile

The period for applying for shares in the flotation, on Monday, ends at 2pm today. Brokers say the issue is several times oversubscribed. with reports of many private investors asking for the top allocation of £100.000 of loans or remortgaging their homes to find the funds. Members who opted for

ary pressures in the manufac-

turing sector, with factory-

gate prices rising just 0.1 per

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their free windfall shares and no extra allocation will receive share certificates this Friday or Saturday, before dealing opens on Monday. Investors applying for extra shares will not receive certificates until Friday, June 20, and possibly not until Mon-

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in the first few days.

dealing starts. At that time, they will also receive confirmation of their allocation and any refund cheque.

An NU spokeswoman said: "Information about the delay is in the mini-prospectus and is unavoidable because of the administrative complexities of sending out share certifi-cates to three million

Abbey forced to apologise definitely not interested in talking to them."

ABBEY NATIONAL, the high street bank, has been forced to apologise to the London Stock Exchange over potentially price-sensitive remarks made by a senior director about possible merger talks with NatWest. Abbey National, headed by Peter Birch, admitted last week that preliminary merger talks between the two banks had been held this year but that Abbey National had pulled out. The unnamed director said of the NatWest deal: "We are

A spokesman for Abbey National last night said: "We should not have been quite so definite in our public statement without prior Stock Exchange approval or an announcement through the exchange. Our company secretary has now written to the Stock Exchange to say that we are deeply sorry and that it will not

The Stock Exchange said: "We study any public announcements made in the press as a matter of course. This has been done in the

latest instance and the matter is now

The collapse of merger talks between NatWest and Abbey National has failed to dampen market expectations that they may over-come their differences. The main opposition to the deal appears to come from the Abbey board, although Mr Birch, who retires next year, is believed to be keen to pull off one more big deal. NatWest shares closed up 35 p at 816p.

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Granada confirms talks

GRANADA yesterday confirmed that it is in talks to buy Yorkshire-Tyne Tees Television, maker of Emmerdale and A Touch of Frost, after a day of City speculation.

In a joint statement issued after the close of trading, the companies said they were in preliminary talks about Granada buying the shares in Yorkshire that it does not already own. Granada currently has 27 per cent

of Yorkshire. The offer would carry a value of £11.75 a share. Shares in Yorkshire rose by 52½ p.

of £13.15 in March and a low of 110p four years ago. Big potential win-ners include United News & Media. which has a 14 per cent stake in Yorkshire. United owns The Express

and the Meridian and Anglia ITV The deal would require the consent of the Independent Television Commission. In response to rumours, Granada announced in March that it had no current intention of bidding for Yorkshire. It said the share price

contained a significant bid premium.

Takeover rules bar it from making a

6.99%

announcement - a period that ends on Friday. Any offer for Yorkshire would

require prior approval from the Takeover Panel. The suggested price represents a snub for Ward Thomas, chairman of Yorkshire, who has said that any bid for it would have to be at £17 a share or more to succeed.

Granada's ITV programmes include Coronation Street. The company bought London Weekend Television for £450 million three years ago.

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Microsoft eyes \$1bn stake in Comcast

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MICROSOFT Corporation, the software company. is poised to invest \$1 billion in Comcast Corporation. America's fourth-largest cable tele-

vision operator. The deal would constitute Microsoft's most assertive move into the media arena to date, giving it a potentially pivotal role in the control and distribution of television programming. According to reports on Wall Street. Microsoft would acquire a 15 per cent stake in Comcast, gaining access to the latter's distribution channels. This would give Bill Gates, Microsoft's chairman, a key role in shaping the evolution of digital television and secure interactive programming over the Internet.

Comcast controls cable systems with about 4.3 million subscribers across America.

The company also owns the QVC network, the largest and most lucrative cable-shopping operation. QVC was launched in the UK in October 1993 and has served more than one million customers. It reaches six million homes through satellite and cable TV, and to regular viewers equipped with a decoder.

The UK subsidiary is 20 per cent owned by BSkyB, the satellite broadcaster, in which News International, the owner of The Times, has a 40 per cent stake. QVC (UK) reported net sales of £41.6 million in the first three quarters of 1996, compared with 1995's full-year figure of £37.18 million.

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been appointed as liquidator to Global Foreign Exchange Corporation, a forex dealing firm that sought business from private investors. The appointment follows an investigation and subsequent legal action by the Securities and Investments Board, the

chief City watchdog.
The SIB alleged that Global, based in the City of London, was carrying on unauthorised investment business in the highly vola-tile forex markets. A formal application by Global to be regulated by the Securities and Futures Authority, the watchdog for brokers and futures dealers, was reject-

Ideal progress

Fear of computer crashes among large businesses helped Ideal Hardware. the data back-up specialist. to return record profits last year. Sales of its tape backup systems doubled in the year to May 3. Pre-tax prof-It was £9.6 million (£7.83 million) and earnings 29.9p (24.7p) a share. A second interim dividend of 8p is due on July 28. The company plans a third payout.

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Hyder warns windfall levy could harm investment plans

HYDER, the multi-utility, has given a warning that the scupper discount schemes and environmental investment programmes. The water and electricity group reported a near doubling of its full-year profits vesterday.

Hyder said: "We seek fairness and appropriateness in the basis of application of the levy and in its coverage and believe it should be at a level where we would not be obliged to re-examine our discretionary and environmental investments and voluntary customer discounts within the water and sewerage

Hyder submitted comments on the tax to the Government. which is expected to give a response this week. Paul Twamley, finance director. said: "Discretionary rebates ... may become vulnerable in the event that the windfall tax

vas too onerous." Graham Hawker, chief executive, said that the simplest way of calculating the tax would be to base it on published information such as

A DIRECTOR of Butte Min-

ing, a goldmining company. "lined his pockets" with shares

worth "many millions of

pounds" by cheating its inves-

tors, many them pensioners, a

jury was told at the Old Bailey

Clive Smith, 50, was the

"moving spirit" behind Butte

Mining, in which investors

were encouraged to buy shares

at its flotation in 1987 and in a

fund-raising a year later. How-

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metals and minerals in an old-

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Montana, were deliberately in-

flated, said Douglas Day,

Mr Smith was "enthusiasti-

cally helped" by three other

opening for the prosecution.



Graham Hawker, chief executive, visiting Hyder's new customer centre

Pearson pulls

out of US

magazine bid

PEARSON, the publisher of

the Financial Times, has

pulled out of the \$200 mil-

lion battle to buy Institu-tional Investor, the US financial magazine Pason

The UK group dropped

the bid because it could not justify the high price that

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Australian Financial Re-

view, part of the John Fair-

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which also includes the Mel-

bourne Age and The Sydney

Morning Herald.

Pearson is keen to expand

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turnover or operating profit. Hyder, which was formed when Welsh Water took over South Wales Electricity last year, said that its move had been "a great success". It

businessmen, Herbert

Bichan, 53, Kenneth Clews, 48,

and John Clarke, 50, the

close, when the company was

floated, that they expected to benefit from the £60 million

raised from investors, it was

alleged. In the prospectus for

potential investors, a "golden

image" of the company had

been presented. The mine

resources were estimated to

realise a value of £292 million,

but that was a gross exagger-

Mr Smith, Mr Clews, Mr

Bichan and Mr Clarke deny

two charges of conspiracy to

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The men also failed to dis-

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Four deny plotting

goldmine fraud

By A Correspondent

claimed to have saved a total of £11.5 million by integrating the two utilities.

In the first full-year results since the takeover, pre-tax profits increased to £208 mil-

lion from £113 million. In the twelve months to March 31, earnings per share went up to 118.6p from 68.8p. The total dividend was lifted from 38.7p to 43.9p. The final dividend, paid on October 6. Mr Twamley said staffing levels had fallen to 5,050 from 5,490 over the year and were expected to reach 4,590 by 1999 under existing cost-cutting plans. "What we're trying to do now is to see whether there

is a case for putting some of the operational activities to-gether." he said. "I believe there is, in which case we will have another tranche of cost savings and merger savings coming through in the next couple of years. That will include job cuts." Performance at the electric-

ity division was more spectacular than at the water division. Of the total turnover of £1.14 billion, up from £651 million, electricity accounted for \$520 million, up from \$102 million, while water only increased from £420 million to £424

Leakage levels are said to have been reduced significantly to below the national average and are on course to meet the regulator's target of reduc-tion by one third in the ten

Bankers to share \$541m cash fund

By ROBERT MILLER, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

THE top 60 partners and senior executives of a private San Francisco investment bank are to share in a \$541 million cash pot after being acquired by BankAmerica Corporation the third largest bank in the United States.

The multimillion-dollar deal to buy Robertson Stephens, a private investment banking and management firm, is based on the retention of more than 60 key officers for at least three to four years after the company becomes part of BankAmerica.

The partners at Robertson Stephens, which last year completed 125 equity offerings valued at \$8.6 billion, will receive an initial payment

worth \$245 million. A further \$225 million will be paid as "compensation" over three years to those managing directors who stay.

The remaining \$70 million will comprise a "retention" pool to be paid as further compensation over four years to certain managing directors and other key employees who BankAmerica group.

Robertson Stephens, which has 750 employees in offices in New York, Chicago. Boston. Tokyo and London, also completed 50 advisory transactions last year valued at more than \$9 billion and 15 private placements worth about \$180

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Ruling due on £46m Grid funds appeal

A DECISION is expected today on a High Court appeal concerning a £46 million pension fund surplus that could have far-reaching implications for the electricity industry. National Grid has asked the High Court to overturn a ruling by the Pensions Ombudsman. who ordered the company to repay the £40 million into its pension scheme. If the appeal fails, it could cost the privatised electricity industry £1 billionplus and benefit 200,000 former workers.

In February, Julian Farrand, the Ombudsman, ruled that National Grid was wrong to divert the surplus to pay for redundancies and early retirement and ordered the company to reimburse its scheme. National Grid appealed, saying it believed that valuation of the surplus was properly made. The issue could affect the 21 privatised electricity companies and other industries operating pension schemes.

Hickson chief to leave

MIKE FEARFIELD is stepping down as managing director of the performance chemicals division of Hickson International and is expected to be paid £180,000 compensation for loss of office. His job disappeared after the troubled business sold most of the operations he ran. Mr Fearfield had a twoyear contract worth \$120,000 a year, but a spokesman said there would be "mitigation" in the settlement. Hickson has had a shake-up since the appointment of David Wilbraham as chief executive last year.

Treatt profits fall

TREATT, the fragrances and oils group, paid Norman Talbot, its former finance director. £221,000 as compensation for loss of office after he left by mutual agreement last November. Treatt's pre-tax profits for the half year to March 31 fell from £1.31 million to £257.000. Geoffrey Bovill. Treatt's chairman, is pessimistic about the current year because of problems affecting a large customer and a weak performance in the first three months of this year. Earnings per share fell from 9.19p to 1.85p and the dividend is held at 1.9p.

AIT plans full listing

AIT GROUP, the software company that specialises in the retail financial services sector, plans to seek a full listing on the stock market this year. The company, founded in 1986, uses its TSS software system as the basis for bespoke applications to integrate existing mainframe systems with diverse client-server technologies. In the year to March 31, 1996 the company earned pre-tax profits of £1.1 million on revenues of £7.5 million, compared with £500,000 and £4.2

Critchley sales improve

CRITCHLEY GROUP, whose shares slid from 920p in January to just below 600p, sought to reassure investors yesterday by claiming success in mitigating the adverse impact of the strong pound by cutting costs and sourcing materials overseas. The manufacturer of electrical cable accessories reported a 20 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £8.5 million for the year to March 31 on sales up 6 per cent, to E45.9 million. A final dividend of 8.5p a share makes a total of 12.5p, an increase of 15 per cent. The shares rose 22½ p to 612½ p.

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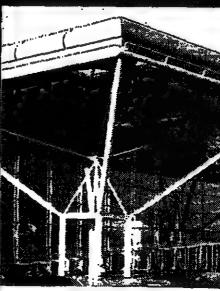
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t was bad luck for Chancellor Gordon Brown yesterday. There he was in statesman-

It was inevitable that the

political upheavals in the two

countries which have driven

EMU must soon spill over into which ever European city was

playing host to the travelling

circus of ministers that flits around the Continent. Yesterday, it did and lucky Luxembourg felt

The markets read it as the surest

sign yet that the advent of the sing-

le currency will be delayed. The

currency traders on whom Bar-clays' chief executive, Martin Tay-

lor, recently called to do what the

politicians should be doing, and

bring about an early post-ponement to the onset of EMU, began to do his bidding as they bet

on the mark against the franc. Chancellor Kohl, having been

subjected to unimaginable hum-iliation by the Bundesbank in

striving for his single currency

ambitions, is not yet prepared to

admit he is beaten. But, in asking

for a delay in signing the ironically entitled "stability pact", the newly elected left

wanted to join.

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Fat chance for pear-shaped EMU

COMMENTARY

by our City Editor

like mode, telling his European colleagues that their task was to cut red tape and create jobs, while all around him was diswingers in France have made it As the French and Germans scrapped over the rules for monetary union, the Chancellor must have been pondering whether this was a club he really quite clear that they do not share Chancellor Kohl's view that

EMU is an imperative.

And neither is it. Chancellor
Kohl is scrabbling around in
undignified fashion trying to find ways of squeezing into a tight corset — and who would find that more uncomfortable than the corpulent Kohl. Having failed with the ploy of revaluing gold reserves, he is now hoping that selling government-owned property might help to produce a more flattering set of figures. But this is merely disguising the problem: the underlying shape will remain the same

will remain the same.

If the German leader could swallow his pride, he would call for a delay and the same. for a delay in the rush toward EMU, and our own Government should back him. Then they could sensibly begin to pursue some of the ideals of which Mr Brown spoke yesterday.

There is scope to develop the single market in Europe, and British business would benefit from it. Those siren voices in industry which were once so loud in their demands for a single currency have quietened.

The latest figures on manufacturing output show that our exporters are flourishing, despite

their regular squeals over the strength of sterling. Their profit margins may be feeling the pinch

but they are not evaporating.
Uncertainty is far more debilitating to industry than the lack of a European currency. The current fiasco of when and how the EMU will land must now be brought to a halt. Then Chancellor Brown and his Eurocolleagues can concentrate on cutting red tape rather than tangling it.

Minister winning campaign meddles

igel Griffiths, the endear-ingly enthusiastic Con-sumer Affairs Minister, could barely contain his excitement yesterday as he listed the areas in which he intends to

First of all comes the extraordinary process which, in England, takes the place of the

straightforward transaction that buying and selling a house should be. Quite rightly, Mr Griffiths wants to put a stop to gazumping. In any other sphere if buyer and seller reach agree-ment then a verbal contract is thought to have been established. Only in the vitally important area of home-buying is it open to the vendor to decide he can do better by ditching one purchaser

in favour of another. Mr Griffiths may be biased in his belief that importing the Scottish system would deal with the problem — like the Chancellur, he heads from over the border. There may be other solutions that could work as well but any of them would require the commitment of the nation's estate agents.

It would be cynical to remark that appealing to the better nature of these people may not be enough to bring an end to sharp practice in the property world, but no doubt some will feel that

way. But while we wait for Mr Griffiths to legislate for change, there is comfort to be had from the fact that the agents are getting together to provide an ombudsman service for ag-grieved customers. What a welltimed gesture.

Mr Griffiths's next target is petrol retailers. He is to ask the Office of Fair Trading to consider launching an inquiry into petrol retailing in Britain. John Bridgeman. Director-General of Fair Trading, is likely to interpret this as a request he cannot refuse — after all, he has just had the President of the Board of Trade show him who is boss in the competition business by referring to the Monopolies Commission a deal he had waved through.

But his reasoning in this instance is less easy to define. Petrol stations have been closing at a phenomenal rate as the competition has raged across the forecourts. The Esso price watch led the way and supermarkets plunged in to offer car drivers the best possible prices. The plucky company, Frost, lost 40 per cent of its sales volume last year as it refused to compete on price alone. Market forces have been working hard for the consumer in the petrol retailing business. If Mr Griffiths does not like it, then the omens are not good for business generally.

The right formula for a flotation?

company is planning to float on the stock market, valued at a good sevenand-a-half times last year's turnover, buoyed by the prospects from pay-per-view TV. Sounds familiar. You could be forgiven for thinking this was a football float before realism set in during the spring. It is actually Formula One which, if it reaches its expected price tag of more than £1.5 billion, will be worth the same as four Manchester Uniteds. Is it worth that much? If investors think it is, they should take a closer look. The business is run by an ageing

mercurial entrepreneur, who is

attempting to formalise many of

the contracts that up until now

free TV channels. Given this background it is no surprise the Salomon Brothers is finding it difficult to issue a timetable for the flotation of this business. The investment bank has made the City unhappy with its prevarication, and it will be an achievement to float it at all.

have been largely verbal. For-mula One relies on the support of racing teams and track owners,

which are waking up to the money that the middleman is making. This middleman pays himself £54 million and puts

almost everything in his wife's

name. He is also attempting to strike a pay-TV deal when there

is a legal question mark about the competition issues surround-ing the existing TV deals. Also the sponsors that made Formula

One what it is are unhappy about

pay-TV because it greatly re-duces the audiences who watch

the sport when compared with

Sackcloth at Abbey

THE mea culpas from Abbey National yesterday related to the fact that the company spoke to the press before the Stock Exchange in ruling out a deal with NatWest. But shareholders may feel that they deserve something of an apology, if not a change of heart. A merger of the two businesses would bring benefits to both and the suggestion that Abbey chief executive, Peter Birch, was originally inclined towards the deal

Unigate and **Dairy Crest** return to talks

By Fraser Nelson

add to the problem."

Ross Buckland, chief execu-

tive, said: "Cheese has been a

good fit for us, but like most of

our businesses it does not need to be part of Unigate. In the

absence if somebody seeing It

as a good opportunity for them.

it will continue to make a good

A strong contribution from

its pigmeat and other non-

dairy operations offset a £10.1

million decline in profits from

dairy produce over the year to

leave underlying pre-tax profits

at £130 million - an expected

increase of 3.4 per cent. After a

charge, this fell to Ello million

£13.4 million exceptional

(£299 million).

contribution to the group.

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foods and dairy products group, is understood to have reopened talks with Dairy Crest over the disposal of its £160 million cheese business.

City sources say that the company, which has long been trying to reduce its dependence on dairy products, has agreed to return to the negotiating table after Dairy Crest indicated it was prepared to pay a higher price for the cheeses.

Although neither company has confirmed it was ever in talks, it is widely understood in the City that they broke off earlier negotiations after Dairy Crest refused to pay more than ElO million for the business. However, Dairy Crest -

which is 60 per cent owned by farmers - is believed to have indicated that it may now be willing to offer a higher price. Analysis said that such a

deal had strong industrial log-ic, because the cheeses would be much more valuable to Dairy Crest than Unigate.

One said: "Unigate knows its cheese division is not very profi-

Renold sets £21m record for profits

RENOLD, the manufacturer of chains and gears. earned record pre-tax prof-Its of E21.5 million in the year to March 29, up by 15

per cent Peter Frost, chairman, said a strong performance in Britain and North America more than offset weak economic conditions In mainland Europe. Prospects in Europe were now improving, with order intake rising steadily.

Turnover was little changed at £180.3 million, up from £179.3 million, but trading profits improved to £22 million from £19.5 million. Earnings rose to 22.7p a share from 20.8p. A final dividend of 5.2p a share makes a total of 8p. up from 7p.



Angus Crichton-Miller, left, and Richard Atkinson

Eurocamp's hotel breaks sell well

EUROCAMP, the holiday company, has seen a sharp rise in sales of its hotel short breaks in the first half of this year, it reported yesterday

Sarah Cunningham writes). The increase led to a reduction in its pre-tax losses in the six months to April 30 from £5.2 million to £4.7 million. Bookings for camping holi-

Basic earnings dropped to 37.2p (113.2p) a share. The total days, which fall in the second half and which make up two payout rises to 20.2p (19.2p). A final 13.2p is due on August 5. thirds of sales, have risen and company expects "a marked improvement" in current-year results. It noted,

however, that camping holiday sales have slowed somewhat in recent weeks as high season capacity is used up. First-half sales of Superbreak and Goldenrail short break hol-

idays rose by 12 per cent. The company, led by Angus Crichton-Miller, chairman, and Richard Atkinson, chief executive, said it expects further recovery in its camping businesses in 1998.

The seasonal loss was 8.9p a share, down from 10.5p. An unchanged 3.75p interim dividend is due on August 27.

Salvesen target for **Aggreko** demerger

BY PAUL DURMAN

CHRISTIAN Salvesen intends completing the demerger of its Aggreko power hire business by the end of September, it said yesterday. Chris Masters, chief executive, insisted that demerger

was the right move for the logistics group, despite the sharp fall in Salvesen's share price since its plans were announced last November. The shares have fallen from around 360p to 2362p, although this is partly explained by the 51p a share special dividend payment.

Dr Masters said it was too early to judge the demerger scheme, which was strongly opposed by Sir Gerald Elliot, the company's former chairman, and holders of 30 per cent of the company's shares.

Salvesen reported pre-tax profits of £85.9 million for the year to March 31, up by 10.7 per cent. The professional fees incurred on making the £150 million special dividend payments, and the El million cost of defending the tentative takeover approach from Hays last summer, were offset by a £5.8 million profit on disposals. Leaving aside these exceptional items, operating profits were 10.9 per cent higher at £89.5 million on sales of £746.3 million (£700 million).

Aggreko increased by a quarter, to £38.4 million. It was helped by the Atlanta Olympic Games, to which it supplied almost 800 pieces of power and cooling equipment. Dr Masters is to become executive chairman of Aggreko after the demerger.

Salvesen intends paying a final dividend of 5.35p on August 5, to give a total of 9.15p, an increase of 5.8 per cent after adjusting for the share consolidation that accompanied the special dividend payment.

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BANKING CORRESPONDENT

AILING banks and securities houses should no longer expect to be bailed out if they run into financial difficulties, the world's leading central bankers were told yesterday. Wim Duisenberg, president

of the Bank for International

house was not properly run.

Settlements (BIS), told an au-Speaking at the sixty seventh annual meeting of the dience in Basle that included Bank. Mr Duisenberg, who is Eddie George, the Governor also chairman of the board of of the Bank of England, and Hans Tietmeyer, head of the directors, said: "With more of Bundesbank, that shareholdtheir own wealth at stake, participants are rendered ers, regardless of the size of their stakes, should be aware profile of institutions." that they had something to lose if a bank or investment

more sensitive to the risk The BIS has argued that on too many occasions major

banks and trading firms have failed to detect damaging losses within the group, often for years. Mr Duisenberg said: Enduring financial stability may well prove beyond our reach unless an appropriate balance is struck between the authorities and market participants themselves as a source of financial discipline."

Formula One flotation is stalled on starting grid

THE £1.5 billion flotation of Formula One, the company which controls Grand Prix motor racing, was yesterday thrown into doubt after Salomon Brothers, which is backing the float, was unable to agree a timetable for issuing a prospectus.

Salomon Brothers had hoped to set a timetable yesterday after a meeting at which many of the complex contractual issues were to be sorted out. This was unsuccessful

and the company, which is owned by Bernie Ecclestone, is now likely to float in the

has been made by Salomon Brothers, which has irritated the City by stopping the circulation of research material produced by City analysis who Fromula One took to the recent Spanish Grand Prix.

Among the issues that need to be resolved are the legality of the television deals struck by

Formula One in Europe, the stake that the team and track owners will have in the company and the stake to be held by Mr Ecclestone and his wife.

No formal announcement The group's accounts, which have been circulating widely despite not having been for mally published, show that Mr Ecclesione was paid £54 million last year, when the group had turnover of £200 million and profits of £85 million.

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MICHAEL CLARK STOCK MARKET

Banks buoyant on talk of NatWest-Abbey merger

THE banking sector has again become a bubbling cauldron of bid speculation. Shares of NatWest Bank raced up 3512p to 816p, giving it a price tag of £13.97 billion as speculation mounted that it will soon reach the basis of a friendly merger with Abbey National. That line of thought also boosted Abbey National. which ended the session 24p dearer at 88312p.

In the week since Abbey National was reported to have rejected the approach of NatWest, its price has risen 72b. Brokers say the move to court Abbey National highlights the drastic action needed to be taken by Lord Alexander of Weedon, chairman, in order to overcome the problems of intense compention in a shrinking marketplace. If the merger with Abbey National is not concluded, those problems are likely to come to a head, say brokers. The mighty HSBC. up 13p at £19.2712, is also seen as a potential suitor for Abbey

Nutional. The rest of the banking sector was also chased higher. providing another boost to the equity market generally. Halito 740p, while Royal Bank of Septland benefited from a "buy" recommendation from Cazenove, the broker, with a

rise of 7p to o3lp. Elsewhere, gains were recorded in Barclays, 3412p to £12.1112p. Lloyds TSB, 1712p to olep, and Standard Chartered. 1912p to 959p.

Share prices generally continued to reflect buoyant conditions on Wall Street. A fresh opening surge by the Dow Jones industrial average last night enabled the FT-SE 100 index to close at its best of the day with a rise of 41.7 at 4.686.7. This was in spite of a long list of companies going ex dividend. A total of 756 million shares had changed hands by

Cable and Wireless came in for profit-taking, ending 1012p down at 56112p, in the wake of Friday's proposed sale of a 5 per cent stake in Hongkong subsequent 72p leap in the share price.

The disposal of non-core activities at Granada, up 12p at 890p, continues. This time it has sold Brown's hotel in London for £45 million to Raifles, owner of the renowned hotel of the same name in Singapore. Granada

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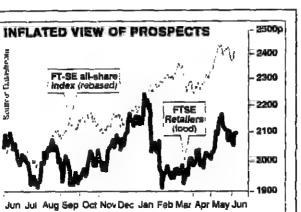


Lord Alexander, left, and Derek Wanless, chief executive, of NatWest, 3512p higher, face a shrinking marketplace

acquired Brown's along with Forte. At the same time it has been confirmed Granada is in bid talks with Yorkshire-Tyne Tees Television, where it alrendy owns a 27 per cent stake. An offer price of EII,75 has been suggested, valuing the company at \$652 million. Yorkshire rose 5212p to £11.60 before the announcement. which came after closing of business. At these levels, the

entire group carries a price tag of £635.6 million. Just days after NFC, 41 an better at 1381 ap, unveiled increased interim losses. Sir Christopher Bland, chairman, has bought a further 500,000 shares at 134p, or £670,000. This takes his total holding to 1.5 million shares, or 0.2 per

cent of the company. A report suggesting that the Chancellor will not scrap



THERE was selective sunnort for the food retailers after the publication of a major review of the sector by Credit Lyonnais Laing. the broker. It is urging clients to remain "overweight" in the sector.

profits from the battle for increased market share. Paul Smiddy at Laing has underlined the impor-

Other brokers are wor-

tance of food price inflation on profits. "Food price inflation has

begun to bottom out and should pick up in the next

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12 months. Just as it reflected a gloomy performance by the supermarket stores on the way down, so it should match their outperformance on the way up." he says.

During the past few years brokers have been

Smiddy regards Safeway, 12p easier at 353p, as "exceptional value". Those to benefit from the review were J Sainsbury 2p to 35lp. Asdu 4p to 125 p. Morrison Supermarkets 120 to 15312p. M&W 312p to 130p and Tesco lp to 375p.

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followed by Barratt Develop-PT 30 PTSE 100 . ments, 312p at 23912p, and Beazer Group. 6p to 172p. FTSE 350 . Shares of Acal tumbled 56p STSE Furnmack 100 2388 87 (+12.07) to 41612p on the back of a profits warning as the electronics and industrial controls FTSE GOVE Sees group reported a turndown in profits last year. It blamed the strong pound.

E:ECU

Treatt tumbled 2012p at 13212p after first-half profits fell sharply from El.3 million £267,000. The group remains pessimistic about profits for the year as a whole.

Group led the way higher

with a rise of 1212p at 729p.

A bumper increase in fullyear profits at AIM-listed Sira Group was rewarded with a ap to rise to 314n. The industrial cleaning group saw pre-tax profits leap last year 148 per cent to £682,000.

First-time dealings in Royalblue Group got off to a flying start. Shares in the information and technology specialist were placed at 170p by ABN Amro Hoare Govett. the broker, and touched a peak of 227 before closing at 2lo¹≥p, a premium of 46¹≥p. GILT-EDGED: Prices drifted off after a steady start. undermined by a stronger than expected set of producer price numbers. Worries about the future of a single European currency also unnerved investors already anxiously waiting to see what the new Chancellor has got to say for himself in Thursday's Mansion House speech.

A Gallup survey for Merrill Lynch, the broker, indicated that lund managers are again starting to invest heavily in the gilt market as inflation targets start to ease back. Only half of those interviewed expect the economy to grow over the next

In the futures pit, the Spetember series of the long gilt fell E1732 to Ell31732 as a total of 50,000 contracts were completed. Treasury

dropped E^{*}s to £1081332, while Treasury 8 per cent 2000 was seven ticks off at £1021516. ☐ NEW YORK: Shares rose in early trading and stayed steady until midday, when the Dow Jones industrial average was 63.42 points ahead at 7,499.19. The bond market saw some profit-taking.

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the interests of their clients. the pension funds.

Henderson is gaining dients and the pipeline of potential business opportunities is growing apace. That bodes well as does the expansion of administration which should prove a less volatile revenue base. The shares are not looking cheap at 19 times prospective earnings but this is still an attractive sector and Henderson's recovery has yet to build up steam.

Unigate

ishment. Over the past year, it was pilloried along with the rest of the troubled dairy sector and has spent some £25 million mopping up the mess left by its milk business.

But the worst is now over for Unigate. The decline in the milk business has slowed almost to a halt. Most importantly, the quality of its earnings are improving as the shortcomings of dairy are power that would not be in more than offset by the suc-

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traffic increases, return on capital rises sharply until growth is stifled by capacity constraints. BAA knows this Government loves infrastructure and the company was keen to list myriad projects, some real and some very theoretical, that might help BAA to escape purishment from the windfall tax.

Logically Railtrack's (supposedly) accelerating expenditure deserves more lenient tax treatment than BAA's past investments which should now be generating returns ahead of expectations, with average project costs running 5 per cent below budget. However, a sensible government will not punish either company - Railtrack and BAA have the capital to deliver transport improvements and should be encouraged to do so. However, investors should hold fire until the July Budget before contributing their funds.

Salvesen

THUS far, Christian Salvesen's strategy has destroyed more shareholder value than it has created. Since the logistics group confirmed its plans to demerge the Aggreko generator hire business last November. Salvesen has lost £185 million of its market value, even after adding back the £150 million it has paid in special dividends. Beached at 23612p, the share price is at its lowest level for six vears. Nostalgic investors will remember that Hays, 10 months ago, was prepared to pay 400p a share

WHO said that appearances don't matter? BAA had the clear edge in public relations

terms yesterday over its hapless cousin.

Railtrack, which last week was delivered a

public spanking for its investment record.

Happily for BAA, it has been spending huge

wads of cash recently and pointed to capital

expenditure of almost \$500 million, well

exceeding its profits. This may go down well

among ministers as timing is everything in

politics but the comparison is both unfair to

Railtrack and somewhat misleading.

The trouble is that while BAA has been

building like crazy, the company will struggle

to maintain the capital expenditure levels over

the next few years because the project that

matters - Heathrow's lifth terminal - is

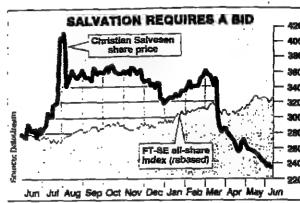
hopelessly delayed. That is good news for

short-term profits: as spending slows and

for this business. On trading alone, it is difficult to justify the extent of the share price fail. Aggreko continues to expand; it is now the largest profit contributor. Salvesen

to highlight the growth in its Elliot and other members of the Salvesen family, to the industrial logistics business, break-up of what they regard to be an old Edinburgh split out for the first time, but even the overall logistics institution. While it is difficult to get

profit was an acceptable 7 per cent ahead. excited about the prospects Salvesen's recent fall from for the logistics arm, the favour has less to do with the shares could enjoy a reoperations than the opposirating prior to the demerger if only because of risk of a tion of many of its still numerous private shareholders, including Sir Gerald



Henderson

THE secret of success in fund management is getting your name on the distinguished shortlist of institutions recommended ad nauseam by a small band of influential actuaries. In the 1980s Henderson featured regularly on such lists but a period of underperformance sent its star crashing to the ground. The blue-blooded Henderson haemorrhaged funds both on the retail side with redemptions and with the departure

Now, with a number of years of better than average performance under its belt. Henderson is a name that crops up in beauty parades. and it is winning new business. In part this is because of the well-publicised misfortunes of one or two large fund managers but the actuaries may also be worried that consistently backing three or four houses may ultimately lead to a concentration of

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With net assets of £500 million including £200 million in cash, it could easily finance a £250 million purchase. Unigate is having some success with its spreads and yoghurt business abroad, and it would like to add to the portiolio.

Profits are expected to grow by some 10 per cent next year but the shares languish on a forward ratio of 11.5 times, an undeserved legacy of the dairy business. At this level Unigate might as well invest in its own stock as buy a new business and if acquisitions prove elusive, it should [aunch a share buy-back. These are too cheap.

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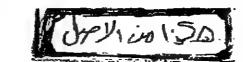
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Nazi gold controversy comes home to roost How UK firms

The row over Nazi gold has now engulied Germany's financial institutions. During the past year the Swiss banks were attacked for their connection to the Holocaust. taking funds from Nazis as well as Jewish

customers and keeping them.

The evidence that trickled out of newly opened US archives did grave damage to the reputation of Switzerland and its bank secreey laws, It was only a matter of time until Germany would be drawn into the dispute. That time has now come. The Nazis's close links with hig business are no secret. Hitler could never have declared war on Europe without the help of Krupp and the Junker class of Prussian landowners. But new details of how the money men profited from the war still has the power to shock, especially among the sensitive German people.

The case of the Allianz group stands out. In the 1930s it was — and still is — Europe's biggest insurance company. During the war it also helped Hitler to do his dirty work, it would now appear. Two allegations have been levelled against it in recent weeks.

First, Allianz acted as an insurance agent to

German financial institutions must learn from

the experience of the Swiss, says Oliver August

the SS, which built and supervised the concentration camps. Germany would not be Germany if this century's biggest crime against humanity did not have proper insurance policies with orderly paper work. Barracks, storage buildings and car pools were insured against fire, theft and accidents, according to Der Spiegel news magazine. The SS was treated like a normal customer. Volume sales were discounted. Allianz agents went to view the camps on a regular basis to check the fire risk. One agent concluded after visiting Auschwitz in 1942 at the height of the Holocaust: "Due to the continuous military supervision, there is total

order and cleanliness. Secondly, Allianz is facing a US class action suit for ripping off the life insurance policies of Holocaust victims. The company had many Jewish policyholders before the war. But nut all

of them were paid out and Allianz is said to have kept at least half of the funds. The class action suit is similar in nature to that filed against Swiss banks by Holocaust

victims and their families. It is being prepared by the same American lawyer, Edward Fagan, But Allianz has, so far, failed to learn any lessons from the Swiss experience. The Swiss banks recently recovered a certain egree of peace when they stopped playing down

their Nazi involvement. Every time they uttered proclamations of innocence, US Jewish groups came up with more evidence. Marshalled by Al D'Amato, New York Senator, they combed the archives. The Swiss eventually conceded and are now negotiating compensation.

Not so in Germany. Herbert Hansmeyer, an Allianz director, responded to the recent allegations by saying that the profits from SS business were not significant. The company had earned only a few thousand Reichmarks, he said. This is hardly the point, the victims iustifiably retort.

Belatedly, the German insurers' trade association forced a diferent response. Allianz is set to appoint independent arbitrators from consul-tants Arthur Andersen to sift files and set up telephone hotlines. It will also name a panel of independent economic historians to fully invesrigate its relationship with the Nazi regime.

Thus the row over the Nazi past of financial istitutions has now reached a stage where it can no longer be confined to Switzerland, which is actively pointing the finger at Germany. Documents relating to Allianz were first unearthed by Peter Balzli, a Swiss journalist on the Zurich newspaper Die Sonntags Zeitung.

The next protest target is already in sight. Dresdner Bank, the German owner of Kleinwort Benson, yesterday celebrated its 125th anniversary. Did it mention its highly successful business relationship with the Nazis? No need, it said. Those moral debts were written off 50 years ago. The Swiss know better.

their average pay levels are rather different: £260, or

£13,500, as against £24,000 for

managers. Skill shortages are

reflected in sectoral differ-

ences, especially recently. From summer 1993 to summer

1996, construction pay rose by

just 7.3 per cent on average.

But compared with autumn,

with the housing market im-

proving, the rise was 18.4 per

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Pay in banking and finance

jumped by 17.2 per cent, while

regionally all areas were try-

ing to catch up with London

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£407, or £21,200, while areas

such as Yorkshire and Wales

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In the face of such evidence.

it is hardly surprising that

champions of low pay, such as local and national leaders at

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have become short-sighted

Christine Buckley on the

changing culture of strategy

to make strategic plans that extend beyond five years; nearly one third of businesses look even less far into the future. mapping out their corporate direction only two to four years ahead.

These claims are based on research soon to be pub-lished by Leeds University. The comprehensive study of corporate planning of more than 100 companies - ranging in size from the biggest FT-SE 100 businesses to medium-sized firms - reveals that long-term strategy and expansion into new

areas are low on the agenda.
The study by Richard
Falshaw and Keith Glaister of the university's business school appears to confirm a straw poll taken at the last Institute of Directors' annual conference, when more than 86 per cent of those attending said that short-

termism in strategy was problem business.

Although different husinesses have varying ward planning. culture of strategy

changing. No more do companies tend to house a planning depart-ment on a lofty floor in their headquarters and fill it with business academics whose views are sought very occasionally. The big picture has now been devolved from such departments to managers and/or outside consultancies whose profits have

minimum wage to be set at Industry blames the shortwhat they see as a decent level term perspective of the City. which causes companies to E4.42 an hour, or around £9,200 for a 40-hour week. be more conscious of quick gains at the expense of r Bickerstaff. longer-term considerations. Unison's gener-Pay is a further inducement to short-termism when it al secretary. "Britain links executive bonuses to desperately needs a minimum near-term largets. wage set at a decent rate."

Arguing that such a deal will benefit both sides of industry, as well as the taxpayer by cutting back on subsidies to low-paying employers through rising in-work benefits. he says: "In a wealthy society it is scandalous that so many in full-time work are selective outsourcing. living close to the margin of

Brian O'Rorke, executive director of the Management Consultancies Association,

says: 'Ten years ago the chairman of a large com-pany might have sent up to the planning department for a strategic view once a year. It isn't like that any more."
At the last Confederation

of British Industry conference, IC1 was berated by John Kay, chairman of London Economics, the research centre, for shifting its priorities since 1988. Professor Kay compared

annual reports of the chemicals giant. In 1988 it had declared its aim to be "the world's leading chemical company, serving customers internationally through the innovative and responsible application of chemistry and related sciences ... through the achievement of our aim, we will enhance the wealth and well-being of our shareholders, our employees, our customers and the communities which we serve in". After Hanson's hostile

A planning department was construed as a luxury, curable by selective outsourcing

> competitive cost world

strategic planning.

Another catalyst is the drive by companies to cut costs. Shaped by cutbacks in the mid-Eighties, companies are now generally stripped to the bone. A planning department was invariably construed as a luxury that could easily be cured by

move on ICI the declaration changed to "our objecmaximise shareholders by focusing on businesses where we have market leadership. a technological edge and a

This narrowed perspective squares with answers given to Professor Falshaw's study. Only 23 per cent of com-panies said they gave great importance in strategic planning to totally new markets. In a separate question more than 76 per cent said their emphasis was centred on closely related markets. More than a third of companies placed little emphasis on contingency plans in their

It is no surprise that the profits of management consultants have risen sharply. While directors deny the have outsourced their company's strategy, they do not deny that much of the research and hypothesies on which strategy is based is acquired from consultants.

Last year the Management Consultancies Association reported a 17 per cent jump in fee income to £1.4 billion. The number of businesses using its services climbed 31 per cent to more than 23,500.

Brown has his work cut out over rising level of pay settlements

Philip Bassett on the seeds

PACKATION REQUIRES A BID

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of conflict being sown by rapid growth in earnings

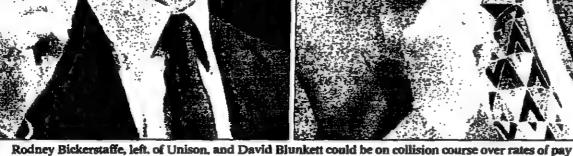
s Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, and Dominique Strauss-Kahn. his French counterpart, forged a pact on jobs in Luxembourg yesterday, trade union members in Britain were getting ready to voice their ambitions on pay.

In Brighton today, leaders of Unison, the public services group and Britain's largest trade union, will spell out their hopes for public spending and wages. The challenge that confronts David Blunkett. Secretary of State for Education and Employment, as he addresses Unison's annual conference is that of convincing members that their claims will be given a fair hearing, without him making promises that cannot

Pay. especially public-sector pay, and the trade unions are seen as one of the potential Achilles' heels of the Government. Sooner or later. goes the theory, the Government will face a dust-up with the unions - with Rodney Bickerstaffe's Unison as the most likely opponent.

But the threat of union strife is far from being the only area of pay difficulty. The Bank of England's new monetary policy committee raised interest rates for the first time last week, ahead of the latest inflation figures due out on Thursday. Much of the Bank's inflationary concerns about rising house prices and about higher consumer spending rest on mounting pay increases. But pay at the top end is causing problems. too, in particular political rows over high pay and bonus awards for the directors of Camelot and Railtrack. What concerns independent pay commentators in the City and elsewhere is that the rapid recent falls in unemployment are now taking the number out of work down to such a level that unemploy-ment provides no brake on Shepway and Kent local inflation. As a result, pay





settlements are rising. Unemployment is expected to fall again tomorrow, to a seasonally-adjusted level of around 1.6 million, with earnings contin-

Settlements reflect skill shortages - for instance, shortages underpin the builders unions' confident rejection of a complex three-year pay package offering total rises of up to 32 per cent, and threaten-ing national strike action in the building industry for the

uing to rise at around their

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first time in a generation. At the other end of the scale, recent pay deals include 2 per cent for Bostik glue workers and Burger King restaurant staff, 25 per cent for Sayers bakery workers, and 2.8 per cent in the power cable jointing industry. In spite of the large-scale local government deal, recently negotiated by the unions, giving a £4 minimum wage, some local-level council deals are still low: 25 per cent, for instance, in Buckinghamshire, Canter-

Incomes Data Services, the independent pay analysts, suggest that wage settlements are now becoming less obviously bunched around a 3 to 4 per cent range, and are showing a greater dispersal. Many

of the big rises are attributable to the financial sector. Midland Bank, for instance, has just awarded its 8,300 appointed staff and managers merit rises of 5.5 per cent on average, Norwich Union offered its 9.200 staff increases worth 4.5 per cent on the pay bill, and the Northern Rock Building Society a 2.9 per cent rise, plus performance payments of 2.3 per cent, adding 5.2 per cent to

At NatWest, for instance, the bank allocated 3 per cent for merit-based consolidated increases for its 50,000 staff. and a further 10 per cent of its salary bill for non-consolidated bonuses. In addition, employees received an end-ofyear payout of 16.2 per cent from the company's profit-related pay scheme, an area that may be targeted by the Chancellor in the Budget, and most bank staff got profit share payments of 7.9 per cent

as well. With all the bank's payments based on performance, total rises are estimated to range from 0 to 25 per

Some other industries have struck complex, long-term deals, such as the five-year, inflation-linked agreement that Coca-Cola Schweppes reached with the GMB general union for employees at the firm's canning plant in Milton Keynes, which gives a 4 per cent rise in the first year, and increases linked to the retail prices index for the next four

ig increases in fi-nance and elsewhere are contributing to the overall rise in total average earnings, though the complexity of pay deals, including elements like tax relief on profit-related pay, make it hard for official indices to track what is going on. Actual pay levels may be a better guide. An analysis of real earnings, drawn from the quarterly earnings figures recorded since summer 1993 in

the Government's widely-re-

spected Labour Force Survey

of a rolling sample of 60,000 households, suggests pay is rising, and rising particularly rapidly recently. For all fulltime employees, earnings in the three years to summer 1996 went up 9.9 per cent. Taking it to the most recently available quarter - autumn last year — the rise was 12.6 per cent. Big drops in unemployment after that are likely to have pushed up earnings still further.

Average earnings for all employees, as measured by the Labour Force Survey, now stand at £331 per week, or £17,200 annually. For men it is £368, or £19,100, and for women, £264, or £13,700. Pay for women is rising faster than pay for men - up by 13.8 per cent over the period, compared with 12.2 per cent for men. Earnings are going up more quickly for manual rather than non-manual workers —

10.4 against 9.3 per cent. Occupationally, managers are seeing sharp increases, especially recently, with earnings up by 12.7 per cent over the three years. Personal service workers, like hairdressers and security guards, are also

subsistence." Unison's conference will feature some angry attacks on the Government, condenning the Prime Minister and others for failing to set already a specific figure for a minimum wage. The conference is likely to see left-wing activists getting in their charges of betrayal early. Mr Blunken will confirm

today the Government's commitment to a national minimum wage. But ministers' clear warnings that the Gov-ernment will not yield to unreasonable pay demands, at a time when pay deals are continuing to rise steadily as unemployment falls, may well carry with them the seeds of economic and political trouble, as Brighton is likely to show

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councils.

TO THE Sandown Exhibition Centre in Esher next Wednesday where it will be standing room only for an Investors in People "masterclass" from Howard Hodgson. Described by Surrey Training & Enterprise Coun-cil, sponsor of the event, as "one of Britain's most dynamic entrepreneurs", the Tec notes that Hodgson was dismissed last week as chief executive of Ronson, the lighter maker.

Andy Smith, a spokesman for the Tec, yesterday said: "It should make for a more interesting evening."
Given recent coverage of Hodgson's

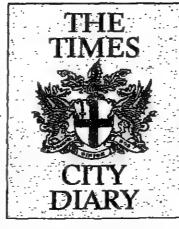


mixed personal and private life, there should be some interesting questions on what the Tec describes as "the ups and downs of his business career".

• A VARIATION has emerged to Goodhart's law - the maxim dreamed up by Professor Charles Goodhart, the newly appointed member of the Bank of England's Monetary Policy Committee, which goes along the lines of: "All monetary indicators become unreliable as soon as you rely upon them." A survey by KPMG Management Consultancy by KPMG Management Consultancy says up to 95 per cent of financial spreadsheet-based models contain major errors. The report is called "Supporting the decisionmaker."

Shirty

IT IS a sad state of affairs when Miliwali PC — slogan "no one likes us, we don't care" — finds Topless Dans too steamy to be carried on its team strip as part of its sponsrship deal with Live TV. Instead the shirt will have to promote to another show: The Weather in Norwegian. Still it could be worse. A quick perusal of Live's schedule suggests other pro-grammes that Miliwall could promote - Handy Hunks. Game of Two Scarves. Looking for Love or perhaps



Tiffani's Big City Tips, which is apparently a financial programme where the presenter strips off.

Junk e-mail

AN EARLY headache for Helen Alexander. The Economist's new manag ing director. A hacker has infiltrated the magazine's e-mail distribution

list. Being such a smartypants in the brave new world of electronic publishing. The Economist eschewed the Internet for the Intranet - a password protected closed distribution service where subscribers pay a fee to receive the key part of the weekly.

But imagine the surprise of the Intranetters when they logged on to read: "Look what Dr Alford has and Dyson over patent infringement.

found. An opportunity for us to send junk mail to everyone on The Econo-mist mailing list." According to Jonathan Chat, at The Economist, the hacker was able to take advantage of a password protection fault. "We've closed this off and it should be back to normal this week," he said. Now there's a challenge for Dr Alford.

 OVERPAID and over here — the invasion of American lawyers continues apace. The amazingly named Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft (which I am told is the oldest law firm on Wall Street, having been formed in 1792 when the street was no more than a muddy slurry) is beefing up its London operations with four new signings. It is taking Andrew Wilkinson from Clifford Chance - who is the one to chat to at parties, being an expert in non-contentious insolvency and insurance law — as well as James Starkey from Freshfields and John Walker and Russell Jacobs, both of Wilde Sapte.

Clean cuts

I AM glad to report that Against the Odds, the autobiography of James Dyson, the bagless vacuum cleaner magnate, is to be published at last. In Michigan in May, Amway, the US door-to-door sales group, sought to prevent publication until the millionaire inventor removed mentions of the battle between the corporation

made, and the book will appear at the end of the month.

To satisfy Amway, the cuts have been

Rock steady ANDREW FISHER, a KPMG part-

ner, has agreed to a thankless task. He has been appointed by Peter Monte-griffo, the Gibraltan Trade and Industry Minister, as the rock's first Finance Centre Development Director. He is charged with banishing memories of Gibraltar's unsavoury reputation and making it a leading European finance centre. Fisher is ably qualified. His CV boasts that he was part of the team that drafted the new Maltese tax legislation.



Dyson: hopes book will clean up

RMC Group takes £34m Croatia stake

RMC GROUP, the buildquired a 51 per cent stake in Dalmacijacement a Croatian cement producer. for £34 million (Oliver August writes).

The company, which will become part of RMC Cement International, is said to be the largest cement producer in Cro atia, with annual production of 2.3 million tonnes. The Croatian building sector is growing strongly now that the Yugoslav civil war seems to be over. RMC will be involved in the rebuilding of houses and offices destroyed during fighting. RMC said the company is "ideally situated to take advantage of the improving construction sector in Croatia".

New clients spark upbeat message from Henderson

HENDERSON, the investment manager, has finally ended its new business drought and has secured its first new pension fund clients for about seven years.

Although the two recent appointments to run "balanced" investment portfolios involve funds of only E22 million, improved investment performance encourages Henderson to believe it may be on the brink of a breakthrough. Dugald Eadie, chief executive, said: "We honestly believe that we are on the brink of getting into that group of managers

that gains the important investment mandates.

Henderson has also started attracting specialist accounts. in areas such as global and Japanese small companies.

The fund manager says the institutional and retail investunduly concentrated, with much of the business going to just three or four companies. But among pension fund trustees prepared to look outside the big four, Mr Eadie said: We are one of the names that's popping up,"

Henderson was reporting

annual pre-tax profits of £20.8 million (£20.2 million). Mr Eadie said that after stripping out a £1.3 million profit on the disposal of a subsidiary in the earlier period, this represented a 10 per cent improvement in underlying profitability.

Operating expenses jumped £5 million, partly reflecting higher spending on marketing, including sponsorship of the Williams Formula One motor racing team. Mr Eadie said the backing given to the Henderson Investors brand had improved awareness, particularly among institutional clients, but the firm had yet to convert this into new business.
Funds under management

had risen 12 per cent to £15.9 billion by the end of March, helped by the continuing suc-cess of the Seligman Henderson joint venture in the US. This added £400 million to the money it manages, lifting the total to £2.2 billion. Mr Eadle said the joint venture, whose funds are marketed by Henderson's US partner, contrib-uted about £2.5 million to

Henderson is paying a sec-ond interim dividend instead of a final, allowing it to make the 31.5p a share payment on July 1 - the day before the Budget. This is intended to help shareholders to avoid the adverse consequences of any tax changes. The total dividend is unchanged at 45p.

Tempus, page 30 | Jeremy Long, deputy chair-



Keith Gilchrist, right, chief executive of Field Group, the packaging company, and Mark Adams, the finance director, reported pre-tax profits of £21.4 million (£18.2 million) for the year to March 31. The total dividend is 9.4p (8.5p), with a final 6.3p

GB Railways beats timetable for Anglia profit target

By Fraser Nelson

GB RAILWAYS, which took over the Anglia rail franchise in January, has said it is on course to overshoot the £1.34 million of pre-tax profit which it promised when it came to

the market in January.

The company, which failed in its bids for four other rail networks, said it had found the Anglia Railways' network between London and Norwich in better commercial health than had been expected.

man, said: "We expected to reduce the head count quite substantially, but when we took over there were far fewer people on the payroll than we expected. So, the restructuring will cost less and this will be reflected in the results." He added that customer

revenues have risen by 10 per cent since last year, with only 2 per cent of this achieved by fare increases.

Pre-tax profits were £400,000 at the half-year

stage after a three-month contribution from Anglia and £8 million of subsidy to run the franchise. Earnings were 3p a share, and there is no dividend. It will be handed a further £35 million of government subsidy in the year to next March.

The company has been in-vited to tender for Australia's

three long-distance rail links.

GB Railway's shares, placed at 100p five months ago, rose 412 p to 165p.

Oriflame expands abroad

Oriflame International, the cosmetics group, has stepped up its expansion into new markets, launching in India and Brazil. Pre-tax profit rose 7.5 per cent to £21.4 million for the year to March 31 on sales of £91.3 million (£90.8 million).

Earnings were 32.4p a share (30p). The total dividend rises to 15.7p (15p). with a 10.2p final.

Payout lifted

Umeco, the specialist distributor and manufacturer, is lifting the total payout 30 per cent to 5.5p a share, with a final of 3.7p. Pre-tax profit was £2.52 million (£1.85 million) in the year to March 31 on sales of £28.6 million (£20.35 million). Earnings were i5.5p (11.5p).

Amberley up

Amberley Group, the Der-by minerals and chemicals company, made £5 million profit last year, up 66 per cent, on turnover that nearly doubled to £44.8 million. Earnings per share rose 30 per cent to 5.45p and a final dividend of 1.2p makes 1.6p for the year, up 14 per cent.

Safeland rises

Safeland, the property company that is active in central London, reported pretax profit of £2.7 million (£2.27 million) for the year to March 31. Earnings per share were 6.39p (5.84p). A final 1.25p dividend makes 2.18p for the year (0.9p).

PCS deal

Dawsongroup, the asset rental group, has bought PCS Holdings, a portable cold stores hire business. for £9.5 million in cash and loan notes. PCS made E764,000 profit on turnover of £6.2 million last year.

Rock venue

The Building Societies Commission hearing of the Northern Rock application to convert to a quoted company will be held at the Royal Station Hotel, Newcastle upon Tyne, on June 17.

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Electrocomponents defies strong pound

BY MARTIN BARROW

ELECTROCOMPONENTS has seen an improvement in trading conditions in Britain and continental Europe, helping to offset the adverse impact of a strong pound.

The distributor of electrical products reported a 13.3 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £109.3 million yesterday, after an 8.2 per cent increase in turnover to £605.8 million. The company's shares, which

have fallen from 46612p earlier this year, recovered 124 p to

4125 p yesterday. Profits were in line with City expectations, but investors were pleased by a £43.3 million rise in net cash to £84.5 million at the year end. The strong balance sheet has dend growth in the long term. The total dividend is lifted !6.7 per cent to 7.7p a share, with a 5.3p final, payable from earnings that rose 13.5 per cent to

enhanced prospects for divi-

Conerill. chairman. said the UK market was less the past financial year, although sales continued to increase. The current year had started well in all important markets, with an indication of improving conditions in conti-

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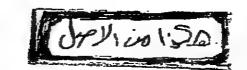
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Parcellorce has launched this year's small business awards open to VAT-registered companies with up to 25 staff. The winner receives an executive business development training programme worth 5,000 at Cranfield School of Management. Application forms from 0800

A booklet to help small and medium-sized business owners and employees to project a prufessional image on the phone has been produced by Mercury Communications. Mercury, which believes thousands of pounds' worth of business is lost annually by the way the telephone is answered, includes tips on creating the right first impression, cold-calling with confidence and dealing with irate complainants. Free copies of Telephone Techniques - Handy Hints for Business Users may be obtained on 0171-538 4334.

☐ A mentoring programme for micro businesses in Essex, backed by workshops, seminars and specialist business advisers, is offered by Chelmsford Enterprise Agency. The programme, for firms with the vision, capacity and will to grow, is individually tailored to each business. For further information call 01245 293023.

Design and Innovation of 2000 world-class British products and services will be stimulated by the Millennium Product Awards scheme. The Design Council, which developed and is running the project, sees it as an opportunity for smaller businesses to achieve product recognition. The best will form part of the Millennium Exhibition at Greenwich, and will then be showcased internationally.

Only three in ten start-ups research their market and potential customers, according to a report from Barclays Bank and the Chartered institute of Marketing. This, says the research, increases the likelihood of one of the common causes of failure - loss of market

Playing your cards right is just a question of size

Jennai Cox meets

a one-man dealer

with very big ideas

n the land where everything is larger than life, giant occasion cards are as common as candy. But since replicating the idea over here. Milton Goodman has discovered that the British are as keen as Americans on wishing their loved ones a happy birthday or good luck in a big, unbashful way. Yard cards, as they are known

across the Atlantic, are oversized occasion cards hearing a message from the wellwisher, which can be hired, delivered and stood outside the receiver's house. Having considered a number of business ideas Mr Gordman, 34, was unsure whether the idea could work in southeast England. Friends, one of whom is now his partner, and an enthusiastic bank manager convinced him to give it a try. "I know you hear terrible stories about bank managers and I was prepared for a battle with mine," Mr Goodman says. "But he took one look at the idea and the figures and said he could see it would be a success."

The Really Big Card Company was offered immediate overdraft facilities and half of the £1,600 needed to get started.

For £40, customers can now choose from cartoon designs including a Chippendale, a clown and a champagne bottle. They then add up to 25 words of their own message or poem (mothers are the best at writing witty, rhyming



Yards ahead: Milton Goodman is making a success out of an idea copied from the Americans

verse, according to Mr Goodman), which is attached to the board and planted in the garden along with a flock of pink flamingos, an hour before the recipient wakes up.

Mr Goodman was not worned that he had not run his own business before. He had acquired most of the experience he needed since leaving college in Belvedere. Kent, where he studied English and electrical engineering in the late 1970s. He worked in advertising for Suatchi & Saatchi during Margaret Thatcher's first election campaign,

ications skills have been honed as an auxiliary nurse and acting for three local theatres. He also worked as an outdoor recreation assistant taking people on woodland tours and drove a tractor for Bromley council before deciding to

go into the extra-large card game. Like most small, first-time business proprietors. Mr Goodman has experienced a few teething problems since starting up just before Valentine's Day this year. Ten thousand promotional leaflets were distributed three weeks later than and learnt about investment as a ordered and in the wrong areas.

financial consultant. His commun- and he received an invoice from a newspaper for an advertisement he had never requested.

Until he has built up enough capital to rent an office and hire staff, Mr Goodman is building, designing and delivering the boards himself. Business has come mainly from his locality in southeast London and Kent, Clients have included lawvers and shipvard workers and he has covered all kinds of occasion. Mr Goodman is hoping for a busy Father's Day on Sunday.

☐ The Really Big Card Company:

Studies by banks offer conflicting views on start-ups

BY RODNEY HORSON

CONFLICTING evidence on the number of small business start-ups this year has come in the latest quarterly surveys from two banks While NatWest says that the number of new small businesses set up in the first quarter fell by 6 per cent, to 80,000. Barclays claims that it reached its highest since 1989. One possible explanation is that Barclays includes larger startups. There is evidence that the smallest businesses are still finding life tough in spite of the economic

Mike Davies, small business services director at Barclays, said; "Businesses with annual turnover of over £50,000 have seen the greatest improvement in recent trading conditions and are now displaying the highest levels of optimism since the late 1980s. However, micro businesses have had a harder time over the past six months, showing only limited improvement as key start-up industries such as construction have yet to come fully out of recession."

Both surveys cover only mainstream businesses and exclude those that are set up on a part-time basis while the owner continues in other employment.

Barclays reports that the number of start-ups in the first quarter was 133,000, an 11 per cent increase on the 120,000 recorded in the same period last year. Mr Davies believes the number of start-ups will continue to grow even if interest rates rise again, as expected. He said: "Strong economic growth. well above its long-term average, will create steadily improving demand, attracting increasing num-

bers of entrepreneurs to start up over the coming months.

NatWest is forecasting that 330,000 businesses will be set up this year. The most popular sector continues to be retailing, accounting for 20 per cent of start-ups. More businesses — 13,520 — started up in the East Midlands in the first quarter than in any other region while Central London recorded the lowest total at 1.360.

Barclays calculates that the number of business closures fell by 13 per cent to 110,000 in the first quarter. Mr Davies said: "While the growth in the economy is partly responsible, this improvement also reflects the considerable rise in the number of start-ups at the end of the

recession which have now come

through the difficult first few years." Both banks believe that the impact higher interest rates will be muted. NatWest says most new businesses are formed by sole traders and the overwhelming majority use their own cash to get going.



"I know what they mean!"



McNamara: £10,000 prize

McNamara is the leader of the Livewire band

By SALLY WATTS

ALTHOUGH many young men and women have the ability to start a business, too few consider doing so, says Sandy Ogilvie, director of Shell UK's Livewire, which helps people aged 16 to 25 to start and develop a business. He told the annual young entre-

preneurs' award ceremony in London that 65 per cent of those who start through Livewire are

still trading after three years. When they begin, he added, 30 per cent are unemployed, 26 per cent are in further education, and 38 per cent are in employment. One is Ronan McNamara, 24,

who won the top award, Livewire Young Entrepreneur of 1997, for the tour company he started last year in Londonderry. This is bringing business into the whole region. He will use his £10,000 prize to boost his staff from four to five. McNamara Tours began because its owner saw a gap in the market. Mr McNamara considered there were too few tours into Northern Ireland, so he encouraged tour operators, through which he works, to "look at new destinations".

He added: "I felt there was an air of scepticism about Northern Ireland and I tried to put it in a different light. Londonderry is a totally untapped market and I thought

that, with a little push and persuasion, we could bring people in." He has succeeded: 2,000 visitors

have booked from Australia, Canada and the US, and others from Europe and other parts of the UK. He organises anything from meals and walking tours to a week or weekend package. First-year turnover is £120,000.

After graduating in business at Ulster University, he worked in the local authority's holiday and

tourism department, which gave him contacts and knowledge. He says a small business agen-

cy grant and a loan and equipment from the Prince's Youth Business Trust also helped him. Two highly commended new businesses. Fleur Sexton's Progressive Educational Tools, of Kenilworth, and Joseph Kohn Millinery, of Ryde, Isle of Wight,

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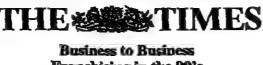
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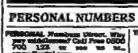
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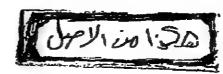




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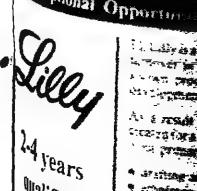
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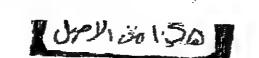


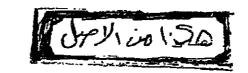


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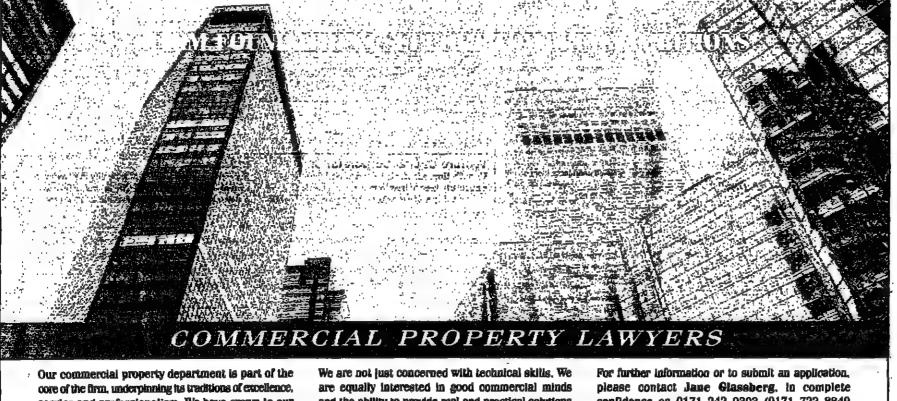
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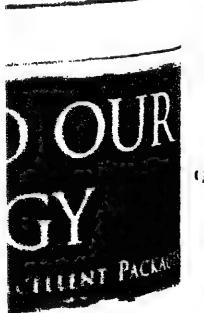
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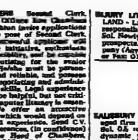
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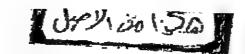
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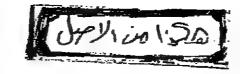
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DIY cases can fall apart

Gary Slapper reports on the people who represent themselves in court, sometimes

successfully. But in most cases . . . well,

let's say erecting shelves is a lot easier

Seymour: 81 successes

ext week judgment will be given in the longest trial in English legal history something of an immy as the case involved a fast-food chain and campaigners demanding instant re-forms. Mr Justice Bell will decide in the so-called McLibel trial which, when submissions were completed last December, had run for a record 313 days. Helen Steel and David Morris were sued by McDonald's after they published a leaflet – alleged to be defam-atory – about the company. The campaigners conducted their own case in the High Court and became Britain's most celebrated DIY lawyers — "litigants in person" (LIPs) as they are technically known.

Whether or not the defendants Morris and Steel win, their determin-

ation in court has encouraged others to take part, unrepresented, in the escteric courtroim dramas of Britain - but this is a hazardous course.

Legal reasoning has always been an enigmatic art. It has, from time to time, bewildered even some judges, as Chief Jus-Fortescue acknowledged in a case in 1458 when he admitted "We have several set forms which are held as law.

and so held and used for good reason, though we cannot at present remember that reason".

Those, therefore, who enter the legal arena to do battle without legal representation often struggle. The acclaimed victories won earlier this year by 63-year-old Colin Seymour and 28year-old Frank Cunningham were not representative of most of these cases.

Mr Seymour, a campaigner who has had success in 81 civil cases he has personally prepared and presented, was aiming to save 56 yards of hawthorn hedge near his home in Flamborough, Humberside. The parish council wanted to tear it down and develop a bowling green, but Mr Seymour discovered that under an Enclosure Act of 1765, the council was bound to maintain the hedge and in January he persuaded Hull County Court to grant his application for a declaration that the council was bound

Mr Cunningham, after a motorcycle

accident in Manchester in 1985, had his leg in plaster but it became numb. A serious arterial problem was not diagnosed and his leg had to be amputated at the knee. He sued the health authority for negligence. Last month, after more than ten years of procedural delay, arteriograms lost by the health authority, two firms of lawyers and a lost trial, Mr Cunningham won 1235,000 in damages after representing himself in the Court of Appeal.

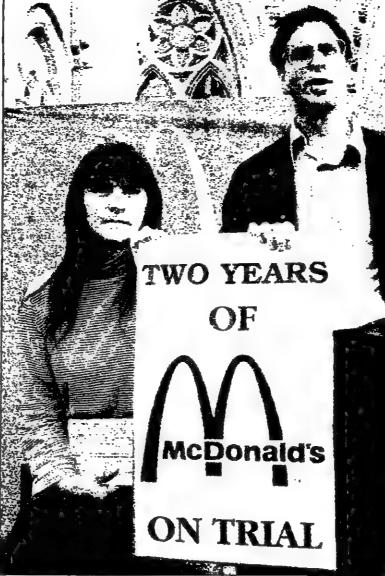
Such successes are exceptional. Only a minute proportion of LIPs win their cases, and most find taking on the legal process alone a thoroughly frustrating and confounding business. In applications by LIPs to be granted leave to appeal, about 90 per cent fail. Of just under 600 LIPs who brought their cases to the Court of Appeal in 1994-95 only 4 per cent were successful.

Because many LIPs do not understand the technicalities of the law they are arguing, or the relevant procedures, their cases are often inordinately protracted. The McDonald's trial, which ran for more than two and a half years and in which the closing speeches alone lasted eight weeks, may have given the defendant campaign-

ers a good opportunity to vent their views on all the relevant issues, but for most LIPs involved in family and bankruptcy matters, lengthy proceedings are an added pain.

The problem is getting worse. A study for the Judges' Council in 1995 found that the number of LIP applications to the Court of Appeal rose from one in ten cases in 1989-90 to one in three in 1992-94. The raising of the small claims court limit from £500 in 1989 to £3,000 today is putting more complainants into an arena where legal costs are not recoverable, and where, accordingly, they are less likely to engage a lawyer but where company defendants are always represented.

Legal representation is generally recognised to afford litigants an advantage over an unrepresented side. In one study of industrial tribunals, for example, it was found that if the applicant was represented and the respondent was not, the applicant's probability of success was 48 per cent, whereas



Heien Steel and David Morris: do-it-yourself lawyers in the record book

the applicant was not represented and the respondent was, their probability of success fell sharply to 10 per cent. In his final report, last year, on civil justice. Lord Woolf recommended raising the county court small claims limit to £5,000, a suggestion since approved by Lord Mackay of Clashfern while Lord Chancellor. Clearly. such a change would worsen the problem of unrepresented claimants.

The rapid decline in legal aid eligibility since 1990 has also swelled the numbers of LIPs entering the COURTS.

The Citizens Advice Bureau in the Royal Courts of Justice recently benefited from a £65,000 grant to fund an experimental extension of the advice

service to LIPs. In his report Lord Woolf made 14 recommendations specifically to facilitate the mission of the LIP. He suggests, for example, that unrepresented clients should have access to court libraries, and that judges should be trained in taking an interventionist approach in cases with an unrepresented party.

This strategy seems to recognise the growing role of LIPs in the legal system but it is questionable whether such an approach - however attractively lowcost to the State — will significantly improve the experience of either the litigants or the court personnel whom

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The real test of our human rights

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The Government plans to incorporate the European Convention on Human Rights into domestic law, a proposal which Liberty has supported for more than 20 years. This will mean that our fundamental civil and political rights exist no longer merely in the silence of the law but will have a key place in a new constitution. For the first time we will have positive rights to privacy and fair trial, freedoms of expression.

The Convention is not a panacea and being nearly 50 years old needs to be supplemented by new rights in a domestic Bill of Rights. But in the shorter term, the Government needs to make important decisions on how incorporation is to be achieved.

The real test of the new Parliament's comitment will be whether it is prepared to allow the courts to give a higher status to the Convention than other legislation. The Canadians have managed to develop devices that

preserve the sovereignty of their Parliament while also giving fundamental rights the importance they deserve within the constitution. If in a particular case the courts have to resolve a conflict between the rights set out in their Charter and other legislation. the Charter rights are given precedence. The particular statute is not, however, "struck down"; instead the courts either "read in" the missing rights or alternatively make it clear than in the particular circumstances part of the statute no longer applies. Parliament then has the opportunity either to clean up the statute to

comply with the ruling or re-enact it and add a clause to state that the pro-vision applies "notwithstanding" the Charter. This latter option prevents the court from disapplying that provision of the statute.

The alternative model under discussion comes from New Zealand. This has been given some impetus recently by the Court of Appeal, but it remains an inadequate model. In New Zealand where there is a conflict between rights and statute, statute prevails.

To adopt the New Zealand model here would mean that the individual who could show to the satisfaction of the domestic court that his or her Convention rights had been violated would nevertheless lose the case. The "loser" would then still have to petition the Commission in Strasbourg for redress.

The Labour Party's consultation paper. published in December, proposed that Parliament would be expected to change the law in any case where the domestic courts found that the primary legislation did not comply with the Convention. Unfortunately if it did not do so the domestic courts would be powerless to do anything, other than to re- The author is Director of Liberty.

came along. The danger with this approach is that if a case concerned an unpopular group of people, such as suspected terrorists, or protesters, or was controversial in some other way, as many human rights cases are. Parliament might never get round to changing the law. The law would then be in a mess with the courts finding violations and Parliament

taking no action to remedy the situation.

This problem can be illustrated by an example. The Criminal Justice and Public Order Act 1994 changed the law on bail. Defendants who have been convicted of very serious offences in the past and who are later charged with a similar offence are not entitled to bail whatever their circumstances. it can be argued that this absolute ban riolates the rights contained in Article 5 of the Convention (the right to liberty) and there are already two cases on this point pending with the European Commission. If the New Zealand model were adopted,

our courts would be able to find that there was a violation but the litigant could be given no redress. Parliament could change the law but might never find the time. Other cases would be taken to the courts and the courts would give judgment but then would be powerless to deliver a remedy based on this judgment. This would lead to further conflicts between Parliament and the courts.

Most of the cases decided by the European Court against the United Kingdom last year involved problems with primary legislation. Other cases pending include restrictions on

the right to silence and on the right to protest and on New Age travellers from the same 1994 Act. Recent additions to anti-terrorist legislation and the original "bugging proposals" in the Police Act 1998 indicate that legislation that might result in violations of the Convention remains a real possibility even after incorporation.

Now that it is in government, Labour must revisit this issue urgently and adopt the tried and tested Canadian model to resolve the contradictions in the current proposals.

The Government also proposes new duties on Parliament, ministers and the Civil Service to protect rights. Proposed new laws will need to be assessed for compliance with the Convention. In this way, fewer violations of rights based on legislation should end up in the courts. We need not follow slavishly either the Canadian or the New Zealand model. But the courts must have power to provide a real check when Parliament has legislated in a way that puts our fundamental human rights at risk.

Judge ye not the judges

CROWN COURT recorder's and other barristers sitting as judges can breathe a sigh of relief. The public will not be able to complain about theni to the Bar's new complaints system. A wrangle between the Bar Council and judges over whether the system should have jurisdiction over judges has come up with a lawyerish compromise.

As it is must do by law, the Bar Council obtained approval months ago from the Lord Chancellor and the four senior judges for its complaints sys-It was never intended for

full-time judges to be included. but the problem was what to do about barristers who may be complained about while sitting part-time.

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Millennium - what millennium problem?

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that they are not covered by the complaints system if exer-



cising a judicial function. The latest issue of Bar News help-fully explains that this "would appear to include making inappropriate remarks from the bench," but not "taking a

Mears again

MARTIN MEARS, the grassroots solicitor who took the Law Society by storm after successfully beating its candidate for the presidency two years ago, is to stand again.

His announcement last week shows the Law Society can still shoot itself in the foot. Two recent announcements which could not have been better timed for Mears will have convinced him he can win: just before the close of nominations, the society unveiled proposals to increase solicitors' indemnity fund contributions by up to 80 per cent.
The week before it pub-

lished the damning results of a

survey which found, among other things, that just 8 per cent of the society thought it was doing a good job. Almost half of respondents did not know that Tony Girling was the current President. Mr Mears says: "It has been

said that when I won the presidency in 1995, I had 'broken the mould', it would be more accurate to say that I had thrown a large stone into the water. With my departure last year, the ripples created by the stone ceased and the pool is its stagnant self again." Phillip Sycamore, the cur-

rent deputy president who is standing for the presidency. says the profession can ill afford to be "inward-looking and divisive". "I believe," he adds. "that the large majority of the profession will bitterly resent yet another contest at the very time we need to be involved in the affairs of a new Government with an overwhelming majority, which

Cashing in on

the 2000 crash

HIGH STREET litigators stand to gain from a blizzard of litigation over the "millennium bomb" (computers crashing because they cannot recognise that the year 2000 follows 1999). Alex Megaw, an IT lawyer for Davies Wallis Foyster of Manchester, says that overs, successing other conditions and other competitions and other competitions and other competitions.

ers and other domestic appliances are still being sold with the fault in their program-

ming. He adds: "It is the supplier who will

be at the coalface of claims." In some cases, the supplier will be a finance company that will find itself trying to chase bankrupt companies for the warranties. will be challenging the profession on a number of issues."

United still

WHAT could have been an embarrassing public split at last week's Law Society Council over whether to scrap minimum salaries for trainees has been averted.

Leading members of the society proposed a full-scale review of training contracts. including the minimum salary which will be maintained pending the review. Hannah Wiskin, who chairs the Trainee Solicitors Group, was delighted. The society had accepted the trainees' concerns about the link between low pay and poor training.

John Kendall, senior partner of the City law firm Allen 8 Overy, may not be too pleased at the review of his book, Expert Determination, which appears in the latest edition of Arbitration, the journal of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. The firm appears as Allen & Query.

Training teams

CHAMBERS may soon have to open their doors to teams of inspectors aiming to ensure they are training their pupils properly. The proposal is one of a series of options in a consultation paper on the monitoring of pupillages drawn up by a Bar Council and Inns of Court working party led by Peter Gross, QC. Under the plan, a monitoring team would visit cham-

inspect their training documents and interview pupils. The paper also suggests that popils whose training reaches the highest standards could be awarded a Kitemark.

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Michael Karwowski on how lobbying is paying off for a West Country city

Devolution for some regional lawyers

world. But in recent years there have been moves to increase the importance of the reg-ions. The Lord Chief Justice, Lord Bingham of Cornhill, has indicated for instance that he would be ready to look at the feasibility of judicial review outside the capital. But already a persuasive case for decen-

tralisation is being made in Bristol. The West Country city has developed an impressive commercial litigation establishment, making it almost self-sufficient of London for the first time. The legal devolution arises largely from the setting-up of a Mercantile Court in January 1994 with its own specialist circuit judge. Judge Jack, QC. The court's work contractual disputes. banking, insurance, fraud and

professional negligence. Since the court's inception, the number of writs issued has mushroomed from 142 in the first year of operation to 310 in 1995 and 587 last year. This represents a rise of more than 300 per cent over the past two years. The new court has also heard several nationally important cases that have made legal history in their own way. These include 70 alleged pension mis-selling actions with far-reaching implications for the financial services industry and cases that have become the leading authorities in their specific areas of the law. And, as if to emphasise Bristol's new-found autonomy, two of Judge Jack's decisions have already been upheld by the Court of

The reins of central control were loosened further a year after the setting-up of the Mercantile Court when Mr Justice Chadwick was appointed to be Chancery supervising judge for Bristol, Cardiff and Birmingham, His appointment added strength to Bristol's claim to

ondon has traditionally be a leading commercial and legal been the heart of the legal centre because the nature of his work includes insolvency, share-holder disputes and intellectual

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Commercial cases now proceed not only very much more quickly but also at a greatly reduced cost. This is a by-product of the greater efficiency of the process and of the fact that the case can be heard on a litigant's doorstep.

Simon Pizzey, commercial litigation partner at the Bristol solicitors Veale Washrough, says: "Crucial to this efficiency is the fact that a single judge runs the case from beginning to end. This means that he is able to exercise the kind of case management overview that leads to speedy and effective decisions. There is also easy access to the judge's clerks, who demonstrate good knowledge of cases and procedure."

Similarly, Mr Justice Chadwick has also taken on a case management role for a large number of cases in the Chancery Division and is willing to decide cases of general importance, leapfrogging the District Judge, where appropriate.

Il this bome rule is leading to fewer trips down the M4 for Bristol-based solicitors — and therefore reduced costs to the client. "Even two years ago," Mr Pizzey says, "I would still normally issue proceedings in London and litigate in London. Now I often bring proceedings in Bristol. This is hardly surprising, as I have never encountered any difficulty in obtain-



Simon Pizzey, a commercial litigator in Bristol: speedy decisions

ing very early hearing dates from Judge Jack: not something I could confidently have said in all my years of litigating in London."

The development of commercial litigation as a growth industry has also given the Bristol Bar a new opportunity. Those who have responded have reaped an impressive portfolio of commercial casework. "There has already been a significant increase in the number of counsel who regularly undertake commercial work in Bristol," Mr Pizzey adds. "What is also important is that we are also seeing specialisms being developed by the Bristol Bar in areas such as company law and insolvency."

All of this is in line with the recommendations of the Woolf Report into the efficiency of the legal system. And, indeed, the decentralisation of commercial law

applies to other regional cities, including Birmingham. Manchester, Leeds and Newcastle.

Where Bristol is concerned, however, it is unlikely that any of this would have been achieved had it not been for a two-year lobbying campaign by the regional CBI, the Bristol Chamber of Commerce, and the Bristol Law Society. Both the business and legal community in the city felt that Bristol could never promote itself as a commercial centre capable of antracting major international investment without a commercial court.

But two years is hardly a long time to bring about the requisite legal environment for such enormous and beneficial changes. Certainly. Bristol is a case in point in that small adjustments in the structure of the law can produce their own entrepreneurial harvest.

Be careful, in case you reveal a secret

S hock waves are still reverberating around the City after the legal action by the Co-operative Wholesale Society. The case was a timely reminder of the gravity with which the courts view misuse of confidential information. CWS obtained an injunction against Andrew Regan, and some of his asso-ciates and advisers, including Allan Green, the former senior CWS employee. The injunction was granted on the basis of evidence obtained by CWS allegedly showing that Mr Green had passed highly confidential docu-ments to Mr Regan and his USENNO MICS.

Can an individual use information he or she gets from the employer? When can an employer stop this information being used? And what happens if the individual leaves the job?

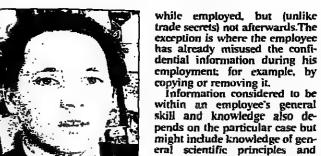
It all depends on the type of information. Broadly, the law recognises three categories of information held by a company: trade secrets, confidential information and information within the general skill or knowledge of its employees.

Trade secrets are the most confidential type. There is no definition of a trade secret; courts decide on the individual circumstances of the case. The most important factors are the nature of the information and to what extent the employer treated it as confidential within its organisation. Examples can include: special manufacturing processes, chemical formulae, designs, a board's corporate strategy, or highly

sensitive financial information. The CWS case involved highly confidential documents, including the company's 1997 budget. board minutes, and profit and sales figures.

Trade secrets are the easiest information to protect. They can be safeguarded by an express clause in the employee's employment contract. But even when there is no such clause, courts impose an implied duty on employees not to use trade secrets or disclose them to others, during the employment and after it has ended.

Mere confidential information does not attract the same protection. Again, what constitutes confidential information depends on circumstances but could include: customer and supplier lists, sales figures and analysis, and new product informa-tion. Confidential information can be protected during and after employment by an express clause in the employment contract. Even with no such clause, the courts will imply an obligation on the employee not to use or disclose such information



Regan, top, and Green: injunction from CWS



Simon Taylor and

Gavin Foggo on company

confidentiality

two exceptions: first, where the third party has has paid for the information and did not know it was confidential or secondly, where the information has lost its confidentiality through becoming too widely dis-

r Green's part in the CWS affair appears to have cost him his job. But it is not just employees who can come a cropper. Mr Regan's takeover bid has been stopped dead in its tracks. A Serious Fraud Office investigation has commenced. His advisers, the City bank Hambros, and the City law firm Travers Smith Braithwaite. have had to make full public apologies and pay punitive costs and substantial compensation to CWS, rumoured to be more than El million.

Today's commercial world is increasingly competitive. Access to information is often the difference between success and failure. But information from the wrong source can come with a hefty price tag.

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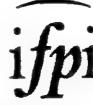
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Father is entitled to contact

In re M (a Minor) (Contact: Before Lord Justice Evans and Judgment May 201

A father was not to be denied supervised contact at a cuntact centre with his young child simply because his life style and general lack of stability prevented him for the foresecable future from having unsupervised contact. He was not to be condemned as incapable of being able within a reasonable time frame to organise his life so as not to order contact at all.

The Court of Appeal so held granting leave and allowing the appeal by the father of a girl aged we from an order of Mrs Assistant Recorder Wilby sitting in Bulton County Court in January 1497 dismissing his application for

Miss Samantha Binles for the father: Mr Alexander Kloss for the

LORD JUSTICE WARD said

Before Lord Justice Pill and Mr.

A driver had taken over a vehicle

for the purposes of article 15(3) of

Council Regulation EEC/3821/85 (OJ 1985 L370 plot if he was a

driver present upon the vehicle and was a driver for the purposes

The Oueen's Bench Divisional

Court so stated when allowing an

appeal by way of case stated by the

Department of Transport Vehicle

inspectorate from the acquittal by

Miss Jacqueline Levene,

Stipendiary Magistrate on June 17.

1996 of the defendant. Mark An-

thony Anelay, of a charge under section 97(I)(a)(iii) of the Transport

Act 1968, as substituted by regula-

tion 2(1) of the Passenger and

Goods Vehicles (Recording Equip-

ment) (Amendment) Regulations

(SI 1984 No 144) and regulation 3(3)

of the Community Drivers' Hours

and Recording Equipment Regula-tions (SI 1986 No 1457), as amended

by regulation 2 of the Passenger

and Goods Vehicles (Recording

Equipment) Regulations (SI 1989

Mr Anthony Ostrin, solicitor, for

the prosecution: Mr Martin Rutherford for the defendant.

LORD JUSTICE PILL said that

the defendant had been one of two

Horseferry Road Metropolitur

Browne v Anelay

Judgment May 15

married, had had a tempestutus relationship that had broken down when the child was two months old. The father had had limited supervised access that had been

Later unsupervised contact was stopped for reasons relating to the care of the child. The father, the judge found, although genuine and committed in his wish to see his daughter, pused a potential risk to ber because of his drug/alcohol abuse, occasional lack of cuntral over his temper, his having no permanent home and the circles in which he moved. The judge concluded that it was

up a relationship with her father which could not in the foreseeable future lead to unsupervised The fundamental flaw in the judge's approach was her failure to apply any consistent period of time

to the question she had to address. limited strictly to contact at a contact centre. The judge had had

to drive until the coach reached

Before the defendant had begun

to drive, the coach was inspected and it was found that the defen-

dant had not commenced keepin

mehograph nexuels, as required by

article (5(2) of Council Regulation EEC/3821/85 of December 20, 1985

on recording equipment in road

The defendant had argued that a

drivers' duties under article 15(2)

began, in the words of the article.

starting from the moment they

take over the vehicle". It was

submitted that the phrase "take over the vehicle" should be inter-

preted narrowly and that a driver

only took over a vehicle when he

His Lordship rejected that sub-

mission. Article 15 had to be read

as a whole, and plainly contem-

plated that there could be more

than one driver for registration

over the vehicle" rather than "take

over the driving" and the defen-

dant took over the vehicle for

article 15(2) purposes at

The article used the phrase "take

purposes at any one time.

of unsupervised contact and found against the father.

But unsupervised contact was But unsupervised contact was something that the father suggested might take place only in the future. The judge had no evidence to justify a conclusion that it was impossible to envisage a time when the step from supervised to unsupervised contact could take pla without harm to the child.

The judge was not to condemn the father as incapable of ever so organising his life within a suin-able time frame so as not to start contact at all. If contact at the contact centre worked with a committed father building on the relationship he had, that could only be to the child's advantage.

In Re O (Contact: Imposition of ditions) ([1995] 2 FLR 124, 129) Sir Thomas Bingham, Master of the Rolls, said that the courts

long-term view of the child's development and not accord excessive weight to what appear likely to

That was the error into which the judge fell. She had impused an indefinite, imprecise and inconsisposed and she had failed to address the medium term and long term, both of which pointed inexorably to the benefits that were likely to be gained by this little girl from having effective, meaningfu contact to her father, who in many respects had shown himself finter r that responsibility.

The judge had erred in principle.

An order should be substituted that there be contact, as recommended by the court welfare less than one hour each week. Lord Justice Evans agreed.

Solicitors: Kippax Beaumont Lewis, Bolton; Adam F. Greenhalgh & Co, Bolton.

Tachograph sheets must be retained

Fisher v Dukes Transport (Craigavon) Ltd

Before Lord Justice Pill and Mr **Judgment May 16**

Record sheets which had been used in a tachograph machine were "recarding equipment" for the purposes of section 47 of the Transport Act 1968 and a failure is keep such sheers was an offence under that section.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court so stated when (i) dismissing an appeal by way of case stated by John Birkett, trading as Lakeland Coaches, and Philip Roy Hayton against their convictions by Manchester Justices on Novembe 1, 1996, of charges under section 97(l)(a)(iii) of the Transport Act 1968, as substituted by regulation 2(1) of the Passenger and Goods Vehicles (Recording Equipment) (Amendment) Regulations (SI 1984) No 144) and regulation 3(3) of the Community Drivers' Hours and Recording Equipment Regulations (SI 1980 No 1457), and as amended by regulation 2 of the Passenger and Goods Vehicles (Recordi Equipment) Regulations (\$1 1989 No 2121); and (ii) allowing an

appeal by way of case stated by the

Department of Transport Vehicle

Inspeciorate from the acquittal by

Penrith and Alston Justices on

May 17, 1996 of Dukes Transport

(Craigavon) Ltd of charges under

Mr Mark Laprell for Birkett and

The regulations were intended to cover not only the person driving at the material time but any other drivers present upon it who were drivers for the purposes of the journey the coach was making. Mr Justice Astill agreed.

from Scunthorne to Warsaw. The Solicitors: Bruce Weir Ostrin, defendant boarded the coach at the Uxbridge: Mason Baggott & start of the journey but was not due

Mr Christopher Hough fur Dukes Transport; Mr Malcolm Dutchman-Smith for the prosecu-

tion in the second appeal. LORD JUSTICE PILL said that in both cases a coach driver had been unable to produce tachograph record sheets for the previous working day when re-quested to do so by a vehicle

The central point which arose was whether the obligation imposed by section 97(1)(a)(iii) of the Transport Act 1968 to use recording equipment in accordance with articles 13 to 15 of Council Regula tion EEC/3821/85 of December 20. 1985 on recording equipment in road transport (OJ 1985 L370 pt0) included an obligation to produce

record sheets from the day before.
On behalf of the defendants it had been argued that "recording equipment" included record sheets Inside a tachograph machine but not those which had since been

In his Lordship's judgment, the phrase "recording equipment in use according to articles 13 and 15" referred not just to the tachograph machinery itself, but also to record sheets which had emerged from the machinery.

Mr Justice Astill agreed. Solicitors: Backhouses, Blackburn; Bannister Presion & Cartmell Shepherd, Carlisle;

Jonathan S. Lawton, Manchester.

Regina v Crawford

Before Lord Bingham of Cornhill, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Maurice Kay and Mr Justice Toulenn

Judgment June 5 Guidance was given on the prob-lem arising when deciding whether a co-defendant as witness was liable to be cross-examined about previous offences because he other person charged with the same offence" as provided by section I(f)(iii) of the Criminal Evidence Act 1898.

Lord Bingham of Cornhill, Lord Chief Justice, said that the essential question, put at its simplest was: "Did the evidence given by the defendant in the witness box, if accepted, damage in a significant way the defence of the co-

The Court of Appeal dismessed the appeal brought by Charisse Crawford, aged 19, who was convicted on a joint trial with Maureen Anderson as Southwark. Crown Court (Mr Assistant Recounter R. J. Carry-Hughes and a jury) on a count of robbery of a handbag and contents from Tasleem Jarnal in lavatories of a restaurant in Leicester Square, West London. The appellant was sentenced to two years detention in a young offender institution, with concurrent sentences for other offences. The co-defendant, also convicted, did not appeal.

Mr Michael House, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant: Mr Jason Dunn-Shaw for the Crown.

THE LORD CHIEF JUSTICE,

giving the judgment of the court, said that the appellant was the first to give defence evidence and she Regina v Governor of accepted that she had visited the lavatories, but the effect of her evidence was that she had Ex parte Bekar emerged when her two compan ions, the witness and Lisa who had later disappeared and had not been traced, went into the lava-[Judgment May 15] tories and the appellant was sitting in the body of the restaurant when she heard a cry to the effect that something had been stolen.

That was shortly after the robbery had taken place, if the jury were to accept the evidence of the victim, who said that she had been that Act. robbed by all three jointly. The appellant said that shortly after she had heard the cry the witness and Lisa emerged from the

The co-defendant was to say in evidence that she had been a mere hystander in the lavatories when the robbery had been carried out by the appellant and Lisa.

On one point there was no issue between the victim, the co-defendant and the appellant, namely that, immediately after the robbery had occurred the co-defendant

followed the victim out of the

Counsel for the co-defendant, in the jury's absence, sought leave to cross-examine the appellant about her convictions, one of which was a His Lordship referred to authorities in which the meaning

of the startiony phrase evidence against any other person" had been the subject of pudicial consid-eration. In Mundoch v Taylor (1965) AC 574, 592) in which Lord would . . . simply say that 'evidence against' means evidence which supports the prosecutor's case in a material respect or which under mines the defence of the co-

The point was reconsidered in R *Bruce (Steven) (1975) 1 WLR 1252. [259] where Lord Justice Stevenson, giving the reserved judgment of the court, had said:

... evidence cannot be said to be given against a person charged with the same offence as the witness who gives it if its effect, if believed, is to result not in his conviction but in his acquittal of that offence. The fact that Bruce's evidence undermined McGuinness's defence by supplying him with another does not make it evidence against him.

"If and only if such evidence undermines a co-accused's defence likely is it given against him. If that puts a gloss upon a gloss, the natural meaning of proviso (f)(iji). eration of the question was to be found in R v Varley (1982) 2 All ER 519, 522c-f).

His Lordship said that the evidence of one defendant was evidence against the co-defendant if it supported the presecution case against the co-defendant in a material respect or undermined That seemed to their Lordships to be a matter of common sense

A clear and simple rule had been although the passage from Bruce involved an element of elaboration, that also seemed to their Lordships to put the matter clearly and accurately.

The essential question, put at its simplest, was whether the evidsimplest was whether the evidence given by the defendant in the witness box, if accepted, damaged in a significant way the defence of the co-defendant. The statute then provided that the defendant might provided that the determine the asked and obliged to answer questions relating to his previous convictions.

If on any factual matter there was no issue between the Crown and a co-defendant, the defendant's evidence did not damage the defence of the co-defendant if the defendant's evidence was also to the same effect

If the defendant's evidence supported the Crown in a respect which was not contentious, that was not a material respect. II. however, the defendant's case

supported the prosecution evi-dence on a significant matter in issue between the Crown and the co-defendant and relative to proof of the commission by the co-defendant of the offence charged against him, that was evidence potentially damaging to the de-lence of the co-defendant and was to be regarded for purposes of the statutory provision as evidence by the defendant against the co-

defendant. Varies concerned only two persons so that it was a case where either A or B committed the offence, and their Lordships agreed with the assistant recorder's view that a proposition by that court that "it must have been the other who did" was couched in mandatory terms and would have been more appropriate if "must" were substituted by "may". That proposition went too far and was inappropriate to the present case where more than two persons were concerned.

rect in the circumstances to rule as he had ruled. Their Lordships felt bound to remind themselves that the judgment of the court in Varley, helpful though it was, was

not itself a statutory provision. The words used in the statute were simple and readily intelligible and there was a danger in over-complicating what their Lord-ships felt sure was intended to be an easily applicable test.

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Proving foreign arrest warrant authentic

Brixton Prison and Another, Before Land Justice Auld and Mr.

Justice Brian Smedley

The authentication of a warrant of arrest of a foreign state in extradition proceedings in England was governed by section 26 of the Extradition Act 1989, regardless of whether the proceedings were under Part III of or Schedule 1 to

The Oueen's Bench Divisional Court so held in dismissing an application for a writ of ha corpus in respect of an order of the Bow Street Metropolitan Stipendiary Magistrate committing the applicant to Brixton Prison to await the secretary of state's warrant for his surrender to the Department of Justice of the United States of America on charges relating to, inter alia, possession of

Mr John Hardy for the ap-

plicant: Mr James Lewis for the respondent LORD JUSTICE AULD said

that the applicant had submitted that the applicable test for authentication was that in puragraph 7(1) of Schedule I to the 1489 Act and article VII(5)(a) of Schedule

to the Extradition Treaty 1972 between the United Kingdom and the United States of America, since the case was governed by section 1(3) of the 1989 Act.

That test required at least a certified true copy of an original document, whereas in the present case the relevant warrant was only a certified copy of a cupy. The respondent had contended

that the correct lest was that set out in section 26 of the 1989 Act, which in his submission did apply to cases governed by section 1(3); and that furthermore, article VII(5)(c) of the Treaty permitted authentica-tion in "such manner as may be permitted by the law of the requested party", and so did not exclude the provisions of the 1989 Act relating to authentication in any event.

Section 26 permitted authentication by the oath of a witness or purported signature of an officer of foreign state of issue. The relevant warrant would be duly authenticated under that test. His Landship said that section 26

was a generally expressed provision contained in Part VI of the 1989 Act which dealt with miscella deous and supplementary matters. Unless recourse was had to

section 26 there was nothing in Schedule I of the Act to indicate what was meant by the words "duly authenticated" in paragraph 7(1) of that Schedule.

Accordingly, his Lordship agreed with the respondent that section 2n applied to cases gov-erned by section 1(3) of and Schedule 1 to the Act and that the test was not cut down by article

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Montgomerie ready for US campaign

COLIN MONTGOMERIE has championships, and he does not like it. One of those precious battle honours on his flag is something that he covets more than all else, its absence something that gnaws away at his psyche. If the manner of his performance in taking the Compaq European Grand Prix on Sunday is anything to go by, he may never have a better chance of achieving his ambition than he has

This morning Montgomerie will stride out on to the first tee at Congressional Golf Club and take a look at the territory over which he will be disputing the US Open Championship along with the rest of the great and the good in the game from Thursday. It will be his first sight of the course, but nothing he witnesses will give him cause for

The United States Golf Association does not like people taking their Open courses to pieces: it has been thus. So when Montgomerie walks out into the Maryland sunshine this morning. he knows he will see tight fairways, rough and thick collars of grass

He will not be alarmed. Quite the opposite, in fact. When Montgomerie is on his game - and his marvellous victory by five shots at Slaley Hall on Sunday confirms that he is - he is a match for anything that he might encounter. Congressional will hold no horrors

At his best, Montgomerie is one of the straightest hitters in golf and, at present, he is at his best. He is 26 under par for his past five competi-Volvo PGA Championship and the four rounds in the 60s he put together to win in Northumbria. By arlybody's standards, even the lofty ones he rigorously imposes upon himself, that is impressive, and he

The US Open is the major, no matter where it is played, that suits Montgomerie's game more than any other. And that includes the Open Championship, in which it is middle of rolling, undulating links fairways and still end up with a second shot out of rough. In its peculiarly British way, it is a lottery, albeit a gloriously unique one.

Montgomerie's accuracy with woods and irons, plus a newly contender, even though he knows that at Congressional the greens will probably reach II or II.5 on the Stimpmeter, the gauge for testing the speed of the putting surfaces. At Slaley Hall they were much closer to nine - in few other measurements does such a small variation make so

That matters little to Montgomerie, "I'm thrilled to get my putting back to form," he said. Things are looking up, things are on the move. I thought I could win to win a golf tournament."

His mood is uncompromisingly positive. "Golf — all sport — is based on confidence and, at the moment, I'm very confident of what I'm doing on the course," he said.
"I just can't wait to get to

Montgomerie will strike his first shot in the US Open at 8am on Thursday as he sets out in the first of two rounds in the company of Phil Mickelson and Davis Love III. "As long as none of the three of us wins a major, I guess they'll go on putting us together," he said. This week, in the hotlands of America, perhaps he will finally break up the

Nick Faldo turned his thoughts to the US Open yesterday with mixed feelings. Faldo has finished second and third in his past two tournaments and seems to be playing confidently, going into the event that he most wants to win this But dropped shots at the last two

holes in the Kemper Open on Sunday left a sour taste. Faldo had been only two off the lead after three successive birdies from the 13th but finished three strokes behind the winner, Justin Leonard. He tied for third with Greg Norman. Nick Price and Mike Springer.

Faldo will draw comfort from the way he railied from an opening 73 with rounds of 65. 68 and 71. However, his only win this year remains the Nissan Open in Los Angeles in March and his swing let him down at crucial times on

most threatens his chances of a seventh major title this week, in an event where Europeans have not fared well. Tony Jacklin was the last European winner in 1970.



Montgomerie has his sights set on the US Open after his victory at Slaley Hall. Photograph: Andrew Redington/Allsport

Europe welcomes American express

he US Open starts on Thursday and talk has again turned to Tiger Woods and the extraordinary influence the 21-year-old Masters champion has had on golf in the United States since he turned professional last August. Suddenly the body that runs professional golf in Europe seems to be the country cousin.

In the United States there are thousands of new spectators at events in which Woods competes. brought to golf means television revenues are up and tournament prize funds are increasing dramatically and will average \$3 million (about £1,900,000) soon. Above all. the overwhelming publicity that surrounds Woods is exposing golf to a vast new audience. Ken Schofield, the executive di-

rector of the PGA European Tour. is undaunted at this renewed threat from the west. "A strong and vibrant American tour need not. and should not, provoke alarm bells around European golf and the European Tour," he said.

sioner of the US PGA Tour, was in Britain last month, he forecast that golf would be as popular in the United States as basketball and American football within 20 years. John Hopkins assesses the global implications of the burgeoning golf scene in the United States

European golf cannot harbour comparable dreams. The Ryder Cup has been taken away from the BBC. interest in the men's tour. There are complaints from supporters who are unable to watch as much golf as they would like on terrestrial television. Though some events attract g crowds, many do not. Schofield said that the revenue

from satellite television for the Ryder Cup was eight times greater than it had been from the BBC. "That is not an insignificant figure and it is increasing." he said. "Every official tournament is now televised in the UK. For your licence fee you can still see two majors — the Masters and the Open — on BBC. The tour's PGA Championship is on BBC, together with the World Match Play Championship.

The main criticism was that we were doing a disservice to the British golf public on the basis that having it free to air could retard the development of new players. I don't think that is the case. Enormous numbers of people watched the Ryder Cup at Oak Hill. if not on of seeing Nick Faldo or Sandy Lyle

their own subscription, then in

"If we are now talking about five million subscribers to our sporting channel [Sky] and an average of three, if not more, watching, that means an exposure to 18 million. Everybody who wants to watch the Ryder Cup will do so and will watch it ball by ball and not merely those chunks of it that a terrestrial station, with many other commit-ments, has to accommodate."

A consequence of the in-creased prize funds in the United States is that more young players will leave Europe and head west next winter. Lee Westwood, Darren Clarke and Paul McGinley are just three who are expected to try their lock. Surely this will weaken those European

events going on at the same time?
"No," Schoffeld said. "If, because of their quick success, some of our players see a better alternative for US, I personally think we can support that. We know that 'the Florida swing' is the world tour in March. We never have much hope in Europe at that time. Accordingly. the European Tour has reconstructed the opening part of its season, forging new links with Australasia. South Africa and the mid-East in January and February, and then scheduling lesser events in March."

Schoffeld is concerned, however. about Jesper Parnevik, of Sweden, who is no longer a member of the European Tour, yet is playing so well in the United States that he would be an asset to the Europe Ryder Cup team. "At various times in the Eighties, Faldo, Langer and Seve Ballesterus, the team manager] himself and Lyle were members of the US tour." Schoffeld said. They alway managed to play the minimum number of events.

"The information I have is that, other than Parnevik, the Darren Clarkes, the Lee Westwoods and others who may try to play the American winter tour will make a minimum commitment to Europe. That is all we ask. If a player

(Pamevik) can't commit himself to seven out of the 35 events on our tour then I, personally, have a problem with that. There is a difference between a player such as Cup matches, qualified for seven and been picked for three compared to a fellow shouting that he wants to play but he doesn't want

Rostron key character as Scottish drama starts to roll

By PATRICIA DAVIES

DRACULA, who would have been a great matchplay golfer given his propensity for going for the jugular, is not eligible for the women's British amateur championship, which starts today at Cruden Bay, just north of Aberdeen and

The ruins of Slains Castle, which stand ragged against the sky. to quote the AA's guide to the Scottish High-lands, apparently gave Bram Stoker, who spent many holidays at Cruden Bay, the outline of Count Dracula's

Blood-lust is not expected to be a problem this week but competition will be fierce. Kim Rostron, from Clitheroe, the English champion, must be one of the favourites, not least because she has won two leading events in Scotland already this year, the Helen Holm, at Troon, and the St Rule, at St Andrews.

The Scottish challenge tures Alison Rose, the Scottish champion, whose stock soared when she won all four of her matches in the Curtis Cup last summer, and the American college exiles, Janice Moodie and Mhairi McKay.

There is a strong European challenge, with entries from Sweden, France, Italy, Germany, Spain, Holland and Denmark. There are also Canadians, Americans, Australians and South Africans to However, for the first time since the Seventies, there is no Vicki Thomas. At one time seemingly the Welsh champion in perpetuity, the veteran has had to withdraw because of an arm injury.

With all due respect to the amateurs. the biggest women's event in Scotland is the McDonald's WPGA Champrakes place at Gleneagles from sell more hamburgers but to raise money for children's charities, both in Scotland and throughout the United Kingdom and Europe.

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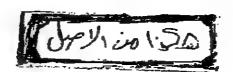


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RACING: CHANNEL 4 REVEALS SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN AUDIENCE FIGURES FOR EPSOM CLASSIC

Derby revival attracts positive view

THE success of Saturday's Vodasone Derby was underlined yesterday when Channel 4 disclosed greatly improved viewing figures – up more than 75 per cent on last year. More than 3.5 million

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watched Benny The Dip win the Epsom classic, according to initial audience research. compared with two million 12 months ago. The final figures in two weeks' time are likely to be significantly higher - possibly above four million compared with a final tally of 22 million in 1996 - as they will include people who watched in pubs and clubs or saw a video recording. The main figures are also based on the 212 minutes in which the Derby is run, rather than the quarterhour segment used for the preliminary estimates, which will inflate them still further.

Apart from the larger audience for Saturday's hig race. 5.9 million people runed in to Channel 4's racing coverage at

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some time during the afternoon, compared with 4.2 million last year. Significantly, Channel 4 enjoyed a 36 per cent share of all television viewers during the Derby, more than the combined total of BBC1 and BBC2, whose programmes included coverage of the first Test between England and Australia.

While the increased viewing figures offer further confirmation that the Derby has turned the corner as a sporting event. they are unly on a par with audience sizes earlier in the decade. Nonetheless, they could prove vital in determining whether Vodafone renews its sponsorship of the event for

a further two years.
The mobile telephone conpany, which has provided £3.5 million worth of backing during the past three Derby meetings, has made no secret of the fact that it regards a sizeable relevision audience as critical. Although there has WATCHING THE DERBY ON TELEVISION

inspired speculation suggests they want an audience of around live million. When the number of people who watched the highlights programme on Saturday evening are added to the main total. that target will almost have been reached. Terry Barwick, Vodafone's head of corporate affairs, was the first to acknowledge the improvement. "Obviously we will want to look at the main figures in a couple of weeks and we are carrying out our

own research into the amount

of press coverage. Last year's

audience figures were de-

pressed by Euro 96, so we are

not comparing apples with

been no official confirmation.

apples, but nonetheless they do look a lot better and are an important piece of the jigsaw puzzie." Sue Ellen, responsible for managing this year's Derby, said: "I am delighted. This is consistent with other increases we have seen, including the number of spectators, and

suggested that on all fronts the

Derby was a success," John Fairley, whose Highflyer Productions company produces Channel 4 racing, said: "The final audience will definitely be close to four million. This reflects the all-round success of this year's Derby. It is certainly one of the highest audience shares Channel 4 has enjoyed for some time. On a day of good weather, it was particularly good so many people were



Willie Ryan's Derby-winning celebrations have been echoed by Channel 4

enticed to stay indoors and watch."

Significantly, the Tote yesterday became the first of the main bookmakers to come out in full support of keeping the Derby on a Saturday, rather than returning it to a Wednesday. Rob Hartnett, the Tote's PR director, said: "We were delighted with the fact that

Epsom was up by 37 per cent compared with last year. This was mirrored by an increase of 20 per cent in turnover figures for Tote Credit and Tote Bookmakers. These fig-

ures are in excess of the last Wednesday Derby in 1994. "Epsom has gone a long way towards re-establishing

Tote on-course turnover at the Derby. They need to build on this success and we are happy to stand by them as they do so."

☐ Coral has made Silver Patriarch 6-1 on to finish in front of Benny The Dip (11-10) in the Irish Derby at the Curragh on June 29. Benny The Dip is 100-1 to repeat his short-head margin of Epsom.



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103	(4)		FAYRANA 14 (Riceovers Club Owners Group (1997)); J Hills 8-7 M Hills	
164	(12)		KATE LANE (Mrs N Duffeld) Mrs P Duffeld 8-7 Airme Cook (5)	
105	(3)	20	MISS DANGEROUS 8 (M Chimn) M Chimnon B-7 P P Murphy (3)	- 61
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3.15 LAVERSTOCK MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O. £3,886: 1m) (14 numers)

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307	(5)		PLYING COLDURS 20 (Mrs R Balert C Benshad 8-11 A NicGland	36
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311	(B)		MAGAONA 17 (V Masteri) R Harson 8-11 Dane O'Hadi	-
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313	(11)	6-0	MY GIRL LUCY 32 (Mrs P Marchell) P Machell 8-11 M Henry (3)	-
314	(4)	00	MYSTERY HILL 34 (Smith Melanemed) J Gosdan 8-11	
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1996: WANDERDIG STAR 8-11 N Day (7-2) J Familiane 12 cm

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BELLAGRAMA 8551 5th of 16 to Green Power in marker at Window (1m 679d, solft on penghnatin start. BLUEVEREEN 2501 2nd of 16 to St Radegund in marker at Bookswood (7), good) with PLYM6 COLOURS 61 9th CHT TOWEN about 17 and of 17 to Contact Chesson in ground manage at Wymnes.

(71, good) KAWA-B hil 3rd to Marcella in readon at Resigne (1m 11, good to liver) MISTY PORT 494 4th to Biggretten in maiden at Rengton (1m, good) APSTERY HILL (61 11th of 19 to Kool Kar false in maiden at Newbory (71, good to liver) Selection MISTY PORT

3.45 BLANDFORD HANDICAP (£5,277; 61) (8 runners)

481	m		SFR JOEY 20 (CD,F,635) (Mrs A Sens) P Marphy 8-9-10 B Fallon	96
402	(40	52300-	GOLDEN POLINO 262 (D.F) (A Griffin) NScs G Kallerray S-9-9 Dame O'Hell	83
403	M		DELTA SOLEL 17 (F) (American Cornection II P Hans 5-9-7 C Louder (7)	65
484	(6)	6-3516	MISTER JOLSON 10 (C.D.F.G.S) (8 Francisc) R Hadge: \$494 . R Plotects (6)	98
405	(5)	2201-0	FARAWAY LASS TO (CD.F,G) (i Rose) Land Hartangdon 4-9-4 D Hartson	90
406	(3)	30-060	BANAN ROSE 17 (CD.F.G.S) (C Michenia) M Blatistand 5-9-3 A Contrade	
407	(8)		PURPLE FLING 20 (D F C.St 'S 'Assessy) L Cottrol 6-8-8 D Haltand	95
406	C)	2/3361	ROBELLION 78 (V.D.F.G: (S Thompson) D Arterbuil 6-8-5 S Whiteonth	95
BETT	11 :		, 9-2 Golden Pound, Mister Johann, 6-1 Purple Filtry, 7-1 Farmery Late, 8-1 others.	
			. 1990: SIR JOEY 7-9-8 M Rebots (10-1) P Marphy 14 cm	

FORM FOCUS

☐ Cortachy Castle, trained by Brian Meehan, may reappear at Royal Ascut next week after gaining an impressive success in the opening race at Nottingham yesterday. Mechan said: "He's a serious horse with plenty of speed and we'll probably head for either the Coventry Stakes or the Norfolk Stakes."

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3,	183:	1m 4i) (20 runners)		
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C	(18)	00-500	SEVENTH EDITION 8 (Bed) nog Pacing Club) P Murphy 4-9-10	S Drowne	88
ij	(6)	100/31	SUN OF SPRING 5 (D.F.C) (5 Clark) D Crapman 7-9-10 (50)	P fecsey (3)	8
И	m	2:0582	NORWAX LAD 8 (D.BF.F.E) (Mrs B Taylor) 44 Meade 9-9-5	. F Norton	
5	(69)		HIGH DESIRE 10 (J Gate) J Amold 4-9-4	D Harnson	86
Б	(20)	00-000	COUNTRY THATCH 8 (No: 8 Summer) C Hospiti 4-8-13	Paul Edderv	89
7	(19)		RACING HAWK 18 (F) (Mrs D Saunders) M Saunders 5-8-12	. R Price	89
ŝ	(13)		BLUE AND ROYAL B (G Litton) V Stone 5-8-11	C Rotter	89
9	(41		COURAGEOUS NAIGHT 8 (F) (L furl wood) P Hayward 8-8-11	Military (3)	83
Ď	(161	880-00	OSCAR ROSE & (Closere Stables) M Bolton 4-8-10	_ J Church	80

240-06 ROCK THE BARNEY & (D.BE.F.S.) (Mr. S. Maris) M. Lisher &-8-9. () R. McCabe

BETTEME: 9-2 Sun Of Spring, 8-1 Norms Ltd., Rock The Bismay, 9-1 Kingstimm Tro., Ronguesia D Or., 10-1 Creel Preside: 14-1 Two Socies, Norsong, 16-1 others.

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607	(17)		HADAWAH 26 (H Al Maldourn) J Dunlop 9-0 Pat Eddery
608	(12)		SAND GAY 11 (Mrs D Wight) A Hapson 9-0
609	(13)		SOUND APPEAL 24 (B) (R and J Foller) A Fester 9-0 T Sproke-
610	(14)		WARRING 11 (M Saunders) M Saunders 9-0 P P Murphy (3)
611	161	0-50	APDENT 10 (R Lamb) C Bernsead 8-13
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(5th), 50 King Chestnut, 16 ran, Na. 31, 31, 21, sh hd. E Alston at Longton, Total 99 00, 01,80 02,30, 05 10, 52,30, DF: 946 60 Tro. 5276.20, CSF 579.02. Thosat 5791.18. Pontefract

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Pontefract
Going: good to firm
2.45 (5f) 1. TAMERIN BAY (G Durheld, 5-2 f-lay), 2. Tangerine Flyer (P Roberts, 4-1), 3. Snappy Times (A Clark, 50-1)
ALSO RAN: 5-2 f-lay Cumbnan Cadet (5fh), 14 Heathyards Shek, 16 Scotch Times, 17 Februark, 33 Cotbe Coming, Russian Romed, Velver Story (5fh), 50 Super Rescal (4th) 14 ran NR: Mariana, 51, 11, sh. hd. hd, 2-91, R Boss at Newmerket, 170s (2-80, E) 60, E) 50, E14 80 DF: 63-80 Time E10-80 (part won, pool of £306-90 carried forward to 4-15 at Salisbury lodey) CSF (2)-99.
3.15 (1m 21 6yd) 1. ANCHOR VENTURIE (W Ryan, 3-1 fav), 2. Bold Top (if Figar, 10-1), 3. Diamond Crown (J Carnol, 7-2). ALSO RAN: 11-2 She's Surply Great (5fh) 13-2 Digital Option, 8 River Run (ath), 9 That Old Feeling 16 Mustand, 20 Dirdo's Mistral, Persian Sunset (5fh), 25 Showstopper, Victory At Hert, 100 Lake Ars, Paperwork Pete 14 ran, Nk, 41, 11, 25-1, 15-1 S Woods at Newmerket, Tote, E3-90; £1-60, CSF: £31-92.
3.46 (6i) 1. FRENCH GRIT! (A Clark, 14-1), 2 Ferry Prince (R W Wission, 25-1), 3. \$48.60 Trio \$276.20. CSF \$279.02. Tricast \$279.18.

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4.45 (8) 1, ABERIKEEN (Dale Gibson, 11-10 fav); 2, Pamarne House (L. Charnock, 4-1), 3. Captian MicCloy (J. Forture, 13-8) 3 ran NR Colours To Gold, 1-bit, 16k M Dods at Darlangton Tote \$2.50 DF \$12.30 CSF \$4.51 \$.15 (1m 2f 6yd) 1, MARSH MARIGOLD (Jenny Bernen, 9-1); 2, Bedeszüle (D. Mernagh, 16-1); 3, Tinklera Folly (P. Fredencie; 33-1) ALSO RAN: 11-4 fav Bubble Wings (Sith), 4 Sandmoor Dentin, 9-2 Duraud (4th) 15-2 in Good Fath (Sith), 10 Easteigh, 16 Cascalele Bleue, Whotherheitsherry, 10 ran \$1, sh hd, 2h, 4, 2l J Hetherton at Malton, 10s \$15 in, 521, 4, 2l J Hetherton at Malton, 10s \$15 in, 521, 4, 2l J Hetherton at Malton, 10s \$15 in, 521, 4, 2l J Hetherton at Malton, 10s \$15 in, 521, 4, 52 junction of \$1, 52 junction of \$1 RICHARD EVANS

Trio: £16 00. CSF: £31 92.

3.45 (81) 1, FRENCH GRIT (A Clark, 14-11, 2, Farry Prince IR Winston, 25-1), 3. So intregold (J Weaver, 9-1), ALSO RAN; 9-4 lev Farne Again (6th), 5 Bollin Harry, 8 Bowlers Boy, 11 Crm Born Born, First Maire (6th), 27ggy 5 Dancer (4th), 12 Swino, 16 Maitle, 25 Sassedo, 50 Spotled Eagle, 100 Awescene Venture 14 ran, 11, 41, 21, 41, 41 M Dods at Derington Tote £18.20 £5 20, £6 70, £3 40 DF £241.00 Trio: £585.90, CSF, £311.40 Trioash £3,031 42

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4.15 (1m 4yd) 1, BOWCLIFFE (J F Egen, 9-1); 2, Pleasure Trick (Kim Tinkler, 8-1), 3, Kass Alhawa (A Cuhane, 11-1), 4. Diceation (R Hughes, 10-1), ALSO RAN: 4-1 (av Forest Robin (6th), 8 Power Gerne, 9 Habela, Parint It Black, 12 Generous Present Gitting Dancer Rude Awakering, 14 Muterhadeth, 15 Attanikh, 20 Oneottheoldones, 25 Absolutely Feyre

Nap: FARAWAY LASS (3.45 Salisbury) Next best: Kanawa (4.45 Salisbury)

Nottingham Going, good to him

2:30 (51 13yd) 1, CORTACHY CASTLE
(Pat Eddery, 4-11 tsa), 2, Moontabeh (R
Hills, 9-2); 3, Aniba Al Dawn (T Sprake,
16-1), ALSO RAN; 14 Fiame Tower (8th),
16 Boccolino (8th), 20 Ra Ra Raspulin
(8th), 50 Stephangeorge, 7 ran 3, 351,
sh hd, 31, 141 8 Meehan at Lambourn,
Toter E1:20, £1:20, £1:60, DF: £1:90

CSF: C2:35

2:30 (55 13wd) 1, LAMARITA (J Tate, 2-1)

CSF- C2 35
3.00 (5f 13ycl) 1, LAMARITA (J Taile, 2-7 tav), 2, Suite Factors (Paul Eddery, 11-4), 3, Barriburgh Boy (K Darley, 8-1), ALSO (AND 7-2 Mutesawwar (4th), 5 Anokalo (6th), 33 Ice Age (5th), Bran. 134, 1151, rik, 1, 1154, J Eustace al Newmerket Tote: C3.60; C1 90, C1.70 DF, C3.20, CSF: C7.17.

CSF E3.93 After a stewards' inquiry, result stood. 4.00 (1m 54yd) 1. SCARLET CRESCENT (Pat Eckley, 2-1); 2. Vanishing Trick (K Falon, 4-6 tay); 3. Charlton Imp (R Exench, 12-1), ALSO RAN, 9 Solvagietio (4th), 4 ran, 1%I, %I, 1%I P Walwyn at Lamboum, Tote £2.40, OF: £1.10, CSF: 5555

4.36 (1m 6l 15yd) 1, SALSKA (T Sprake, 11-1); 2, Tawalek (J Reid, 11-4 law); 3, Winnebego (D McKeown, 20-1), ALSO RAN 9-2 Betabanco (5th), 5 Gumalr (4th), 7 Durham, 10 Amierge, 11 Ackance East (6th), 14 Brighter Bylash, Contrarle 10 ran Sh Ind, M. 2kt, sh Jol, M. A Streetor at Uncuster, Tota: £13.30, £2.30, £1 60, £10.20 DF £23.76, 7/10; £328.80 (part wor), gool of £379.78 camed forward to 4 15 at Salsbury Indiay) CSF £38.10. Tricest, £560.50.

Tricest. £560.50.
5.08 (fm ff 213yd) 1, BLOCKADE (R. Mullen, 6-1); 2, Beresto's Prince (J. D. Smith, 9-2); 3, Forust Fertienry (R. Firench, 7-2 tev) ALSO RAN 9-2 Coral Island, 7 Acquitust, 12 Bold Saint (eth), Netchin Princess, 16 Shelles Dream (eth), Weish Mountain, 20 Four Ol Spades, 25 Monte (5th), Suleita Dancer, 50 Persephone, 13 ran, NF Happy Vertuser 161, 191, 191, 2, 291, M. Bell at Newmanks, 10e; £5.30, £7.80, £1.40, DF: £36.60 Trior £5.30, £7.80, Placepot £49.10. Cuadpot £27.80.

Ryan strikes

IT WAS back to bread and butter fare for Willie Ryan at Pontefract yesterday as the jockey followed up his thrilling victory in the Vodafone Derby on Saturday with a win in the £2,406 Dewsbury Selling Stakes.

Ryan gave Anchor Venture

a 'Benny The Dip' type ride. striking for home rounding the final turn and keeping the well-backed favourite right up to his work in the closing stages to repel the late challenge of Bold Top by a neck. John Egan, the jockey on Bold Top, went one better aboard the 9-1 shot, Bowcliffe, in the Borough Handicap.

REDCAR THUNDERER

2.00 Katie's Cracker. 2.30 Corniche Quest. 3.00 Royal Expression. 3.30 Queens Consul. 4.00 Land A Hand. 4.30 Who's That Man. Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.00 Arm And A Leg. 4.00 MOUNTAIN SONG (nep).

2.00 MAGNUM SELLING STAKES (2-Y-0: £2,203: 71) (10 numers)

2.30 JEROBOAM HANDICAP (23,035; 61) (9)

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England still best of the rest

By Russell Kempson

AS ENGLAND bask in the afterglow of having been anointed champions of the Tournoi de France and contemplate playing Brazil in Paris this evening. Glenn Hoddle, the coach, can reflect on a satisfying weekend. It has been a long time since the national side's global reputation has touched such

Hoddle can also take heart from the latest series of World Cup qualifying matches around Europe, with England still on course to reach the finals in France next year automatically if they finish as the best runners-up in the nine groups. In the unofficial table of the second-placed countries, they lead Yugoslavia and Austria by two points.

With the table compiled by using results against opponents lying first, third and fourth in each group — as decreed by Fifa, the sport's governing body — much will change before the concluding set of fixtures, on October 11. Since the calculations of ten days ago, after England defeated Poland 2-0 in Katowice, Switzerland, Russia and Ireland have dropped out of the top nine places, to be replaced by Finland, Israel and Macedonia.

Finland have leapfrogged Switzerland and Hungary in group three, courtesy of their 3-0 victory over Azerbaijan in Helsinki. A three-cornered fight for second position, behind Norway, who drew l-l with Hungary in Budapest, is likely to develop, with the victors securing one of the eight play-off places.

From the two-legged play-offs, to be staged on October 29 and November 15, four countries will join the nine group winners, the best runners-up and France in Europe's 15-strong contingent. Seventeen others — including Brazil, the holders, and Morocco, Tunisia and Nigeria, who qualified from the African zone at the weekend — will complete the lineaux.

will complete the line-up.
Russia have disappeared from the runners-up table by virtue of their 2-0 win against Israel, the previous group five leaders, in Moscow. Israel are likely to fall further once Bulgaria have played their two games in hand.

In group eight, Ireland have been replaced in second position by Macedonia, who beat Iceland I-0 in Skopje. They could slip to fourth if Lithuania win in Iceland tomorrow, although they remain nicely placed for a play-off position if they can beat Lithuania twice.

England's main threats for the automatic runners-up qualifying place — assuming that they do not win group two by finishing ahead of Italy — appear to be from Yugoslavia and Austria. Yet the statistics are perhaps misleading.

RUNNERS UP

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Austria (4) 5 3 1 1 6 4 11
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Greece (1) 5 2 1 2 6 4
Israel (5) 5 2 1 2 6 4
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☐ Records based on results against first, thing and fourth-placed hearts in respective groups
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with Yugoslavia's record including an 8-1 success against the Faeroe Islands, who moved up to fourth place in group six with a 2-1 win against Malta in Toftir.

It is inconceivable that the Czech Republic will not eventually overtake the Faeroes in the final group standings, which would substantially reduce Yugoslavia's goal difference and thus dilute their threat to England. Also, of Yugoslavia's remaining matches — against Slovakia and Malta — only the former will count towards the runners-up table.

Austria, who beat Larvia 3-1 in Riga on Sunday, are in a similar position in group four. Only one of their four closing games, against Sweden, is likely to be taken into account when the runners-up conundrum is unravelled. With the Austrians having a comparatively easy run-in, they could even over-

take Scotland, the group leaders. Sweden, who overcame Estonia 3-2 in Tallinn on Sunday, are similarly poised should Scotland stutter. Much will depend on their game in Austria, who beat them 1-0 in October, on September 6.

As usual, little is as it seems in the land of Fifa — only Romania, in group eight, can be reasonably certain of a trip to France. They have a 100 per cent record from six matches.

Group nine is still one of the most closely contested, with Ukraine, Germany and Portugal locked in combat. Portugal beat Albania 2-0 in Porto at the weekend, albeit unconvincingly, while Germany were held 0-0 by Ukraine in Kiev. "We have to respect the good performance of our opponents." Berti Vogts, the Germany coach, conceded.

coach, conceded.

Vogts's European champions are unbeaten and lie in second place, but have rarely impressed during the qualifying campaign. Although it might have been unthinkable at the start of the series last year, they may yet have to seek a back door into France via the play-offs.

Germany's runners-up record has little merit, either, and the home game against Portugal on September 6 could prove decisive. Few, though, would bet on their absence from the finals. It just couldn't happen, could it?



Liuboslav Penev helped Bulgaria to beat Luxembourg 4-0 on Sunday and stay on course for the finals



Challenge on course for record entries

BY MEL WERB

WITH the peak time for registrations fast approaching. The Times MeesPierson Corporate Golf Challenge looks likely to exceed the 1996 entry by a handsome margin. Since its inception in 1993, the entry for the Challenge has grown year after year, and 1997 is no exception.

More than 600 firms have already entered, which represents a five per cent increase on the same time last year. "We are encouraged by the level of entries at this point," John Mitchell, the originator of the competition and the event director, said yesterday. "The strength of the competition is now thoroughly well recognised by the corporate sector, and our ambition to grow each season looks to be well on the cards."

Part of the appeal of the Challenge is the level of organisation. It is an amateur competition that is run to the highest professional stan-



finals, the number of which have been increased by two to 14, will be staged throughout October, with the national final again being staged in front of Sky Sports cameras at the La Manga Club Resort in November.

Last year saw the closest

dards. This year's regional

Last year saw the closest finish in the history of the tournament, four teams being involved in a sudden-death play-off before the Northern treland Civil Service Sports Association prevailed on the first extra hole.

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David Powell on a Briton tracking success via computers and the Internet

Techno-athlete now up and running

the Africans have their mountains, the British their technology. The age of the techno-athlete is here and Rob Hooton, a leading British middle-distance runner and physics graduate from Bristol University, is trying to close the gap between himself and world class, using the appliance of science. Hooton is a pacemak-er in the field of athletics by

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computer.
Without making running his priority. Hooton rose last summer to No 6 in the British 800 metres rankings, this despite his life having been packed with other interests: competitive rowing, wind-surfing, education, selling vacuum cleaners. Now Hooton has a one-track mind. At 24, he has dropped everything to become a full-time athlete which, in his case, is quite different from being a fulltime runner.

The time that Hooton spends running is but one part of his work. The rest is spent exploring technology to get the best out of his training. He returned home to Edinburgh last week after five months spent 5,000 feet above sea level in Mexico, at a place one will not have heard any other British athlete mention as a training base. Oaxaca was discovered by Hooton not through Britain's network of coaches, but by surfing the Internet.

Having used the Web to find the training venue that he thought would be ideal, Hooton packed away his computer and heart-rate equipment and set off in the British midwinter on his altitude experiment. He cannot wait to return next winter to correct the one mistake he made, which has probably ruined his chances of making the world championships in Athens this summer.

'I ran out of training shoes." he said. "I could not find a shop where I could buy the shoes I needed because Mexicans are a lot smaller and I could not find size II." Trainers sent to him by Nike failed to reach him - Hooton suspected foul play by Mexican customs officers — and he injured an Achilles tendon, using worn shoes, before recelving replacements by spe-

THE COMMUNICATION

TECHES! HOWE

Needing three weeks off, his transmitter strap. training fell behind schedule and the World Student



Hooton discovered his Mexican training base via the World Wide Web and uses modern technology to keep tabs on his performances

Games, a fortnight after Athens. have become his new target. "I will go back to Oaxaca next winter because everything else was perfect," he "When I go I will take shoes for six months. It was not my technology that let me down, just reliance on old-fashioned means of

Before leaving home, he picked up work, testing heartrate monitors for Cardiosport. Because I have a physics degree, I marketed myself to Cardiosport as an elite athlete testing at altitude and able to analyse data meaningfully," Hooton said - so appropriate to the task that he has devel-

And the Compaq computer? "I could speak to my coaching at a watch and see what your

advisers in Britain, analyse heart-rate data, plan my training schedules and analyse training performance." He has written his own programme to analyse the information in a spreadsheet. "It

through the year, rather than change from one kind of training to another, which a lot of coaches favour," Hooton said. "One of the heart-rate monitors is uploadable onto the computer. It records your heart-rate every five seconds of training. You can look at your

gives a blueprint for how I

should periodise my training

exact heart-rate profile during that session. If it was on a watch, you would be able to running, when you do not have the time or energy to look

heart-rate is. I can compare a track session to a session on the beach or hills."

In Britain, Hooton was struck by athletes, coaches and officials who lacked a self-help outlook. "I speak to people in the sport who say there is just no money available, other than through the accepted channels," he said. Too many are sitting back waiting for National Lottery money.

ooton surfed the Internet to find the best place. "I spoke to people in Oaxaca who could give me immediate answers because writing by snail-mail is useless," he said. He even communicated with a Mexican student, also at Bristol University, without ever meeting him.

"I was able to download maps and get a general feel," he said, "I gleaned that Oaxaca was a laid-back place in the mountains, with amazing climate and food, perfect for the athlete. If you do the Websites,

you can find out just about

anything.'

Hooton improved his 800 metres best to lmin 47.7sec last year, despite training while studying for university finals. What could he achieve, he wondered, if he gave training his full attention? "That thought made me decide to put off a graduate career," Hooton

interested in rowing, winning onships at coxed fours. When running took over, it still had to compete with windsurfing.

Hooton went on an exchange visit to the University of Oregon, more interested in the proximity of Columbia Gorge — "the Mecca for windsurfing in mainland United States" - than its tradition in athletics, Joaquim Cruz, Alberto Salazar and Steve Prefontaine having studied

there. On another occasion, he took 14 months out of athletics, working as a vacuum cleaner salesman to finance a windsurfing holiday. Two years ago, Hooton turned down a Great Britain

Under-23 vest and went surfing instead. Now surfing the Internet is more rewarding. "I am definitely hoping to set he said. His lap-top expects. Rob Hooton's Website is: http://www.paradoxcafe.com/runner

Britain face familiar cup frustration

By David Powell, athletics correspondent

THINK of the great runnersup of our time and you come up with easy champions of the three categories: Frankie Fredericks (men's individual), Catherina McKiernan (women's individual) and Great Britain (team award). Not even Fredericks and McKiernan, though, are quite as consistent at finishing second as the Great Britain men's European Cup team.

When the squad was announced yesterday for this year's stab at the competition. in Munich on June 21 and 22, the prospect of Britain finishing anywhere but second was made to seem as likely as Jonathan Edwards forgetting to stick a step in between his hop and jump. The British men have been runners-up in five successive European Cups since winning in 1989 and this annual barometer of team strength shows no sign of moving from sunny to hot.

Once again Germany stand in the way. The British men's team's problem has been quite different over the years from that of Fredericks, who has won four Olympic sprint silver medals, losing to a different champion each time, and McKiernan, four times world cross country runner-up and likewise never beaten by the same winner. Mostly, for Britain, it has been Germany blocking out the sun, winning the last three years.

Yesterday, Malcolm Ar-nold, Britain's head of coaching, was able to read from a team sheet which, with minor exceptions, is as strong as he could have wished for. So, are we ready to beat the Germans on their home track? Not unless we get lucky was Arnold's message.

"We have got to have everything in place 100 per cent and, if the Germans have everything 100 per cent in place. because of their strength ... " Arnold did not finish his sentence but a rough guess would be "... they will

Although Britain can expect maximum points from Linford Christie, in the 100 in the 400 metres, Steve Backley, in the javelin, Edwards, in the triple jump, and

from the 4 x 400 metres relay ream, Germany can once again count on exploiting weaknesses in the long jump, discus and hammer. The Germans triumph because they are solid," Arnold said.
"It is not until we get that consistency across the board that you can think in terms of winning again."

Nevertheless, finishing second in Europe would consoli-date Britain's position among the top five nations in the world and it was to a familiar theme that Arnold returned yesterday: the unjust criticism which the athletes had to bear at the Olympic Games last summer. The athletes came in at the end of a wave of British failure and we were

TEAM

WOMEN: 100m: S Jacobs 200m: Jacobs 100m: D Freser 800m: H Parry 1500m: L Florines 2000m: P Radciffle, 5000m: L Florines 2000m: P Radciffle, 5000m: L Florines 2000m: L Florine

tarred with the same brush," Arnold said. "I do not think we should have been."

Arnold was right, too, in drawing comparison between a German system that pays its athletes to compete in the European Cup and that uses the event as a selection event for the world championships. while Britain does neither. It is to the credit of Britain's elite that they pull on the vest for pride, not for payment.

Perhaps the greatest pride yesterday was felt by Mark Sesay, selected for the 800 Great Britain debut after six years battling to overcome

FOR THE RECORD

ATHLETICS MOSCOW: IAAF Grand Prix meeting Men: 100m: 1, D Extra (Nigera) 10 20sec; 2 D Batey (Car) 10 26; 3, D Alu (Nigera) 10 30.00m: 1, D Korten (Nen) 7min 37.64sec; 2, J Kipto (Nen) 7:56 25; 3, L Kipto (See) 7:55 28. Long jump: 1, K Sosunov (Russ) 8.29m; 2, Bacdotro (Jam's 8.10; 3, 3 Tarssenko (Russ) 8 09 Women: 800m; 1, S Masterkows (Russ) 15 8:72; 3, Noukhnows (Beta) 2,00.46. Shot: 1, V Pavlych (Ukr) 19 59m; 2, I Korzhamenko (Russ) 18,75; 3, V Fodyushina (Ukr) 18,20 High jump: 1, O Kethurina (Russ) 1,91; 3, V Fodyorova (Russ) 1,91; 3, V Fodorova (Russ) 1,91; 3,V Fodorova 1,500mc D Beumann (Ger) 3min 36,03sec. 110m hurdles: A Garcia (Cuba) 13,26sec. 400m hurdles: B Fare (Sen) 48,46, 3,000m tesplechase: B Baramasia (Ken) 8min 10,63sec Pole vault: O Brits (SAI 5.75m 8hot: S-O Buder (Ger) 20,33m Discust V Alehra (Lit) 66,06m: Women: 100m: A Prisipo (Ger) 11,05sec 200m: M Frazer Lam) 22,71 100m hurdles: D Hermings (Jam) 12.90, 400m hurdles: D Hermings (Jam) 15.4 52. High jump: A Astatel (Ger) 194m Long jump: J Perchine (Kec) 8,66m. Discuss: F Dietzsch (Ger) 64,65m. PADUA: Informational meeting (winners and British): Men: 100m: 1, R Stewert (Jam) 10.11sec; 4, Gardene (GB) 10,34,400m; M Richardson (GB) 45,27,800m: N Tefaz (Cuba) tran 45,0sec, 3,000m: M Ben (Ken) 7,46,50,400m hurdles: B Bronson (JS) 48,18sac 2,000m steeplechase: A Sahere (Mor) Smin 23,14sec, Long jump: I Pedroso (Curba) 8,83m High jump: 0 Kokotis (Gr) 2,25m Shot: K O Hauge (Nor) 19,96m: Women: 100m: B McDonald (Jam) 11,21sec, 400m: 1, C Opare (Nigerie) 11,19, 2, D Fraser (GB) 61 65 1,500m: L Gurtna (Russ) 4mn 12,93sec, 100m hurdles: 1, P Girard (Fr) 12,90sec; 4, A Thorp (GB) 13,33 Long jump: 1, F May (t) 6,98m; 2, J Wise (GB) 649.

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297: J Daly 70, 70, 77, 80
EAST LANSING, Michigan: LPGA Olds Classics: Leading final scores (US unless stated), 270: P Hurst 68, 70, 71, 70, 290: J Inkster 69 70, 71, 70, 291: K Sail 73, 68, 71, 69; S Rectmen 70, 70, 70, 71, 292: E Crosby 68, 72, 70, 72; L Heckney (GB) 69, 76, 70, 71, 68; S 293: L Lindey 68, 69, 76, 70; M McGarm 73, 67, 72, 71, C Johnston-Forbes 74, 64, 73, 72; J Ludack, (Peru) 71, 71, 68, 73, 294; C Johnson 72, 68, 73, 71; C Pierce (GB) 70, 72, 70, 72, 285; K Webb (Aus) 70, 73, 74, 88; H Stacy 72, 69, 74, 70; D Ammaccapane 73, 72, 68, 72; K Robbins 71, 64, 78, 72, Other scores: 286; S Struchwick (GB) 74, 77, 72, 68; L Neumann (Swe) 72, 66, 75, 73, 290; N Deghe (Swe) 70, 74, 72, 74

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MOTOR RALLYING

POWERBOATING EPINAY: World Formula III Champ-lonship: French Grand Price 1, S Hill (GB) 20pts; 2, K McCroire (GB) 173, R Temper (Justina) 15: 4, I Andraws (GB) 13, 5, F Sundsol (II) 11 Leading overall positions: 1, Andrews 33pts; equal 2, McCrorie and Temper 30: 4, Hill 20; 5, K Kerppola (Pin) 17: equal 6, B Cserni (Hun) and Sundsel 11.

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Kessler (Sheffield, holder) bit G Currong-ham (Handing).

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O'Brien (US) bi G Raoux (Fr) 7-5, 4-6, 6-0; L Herrera (Mod) bi M Ondruska (SA) 7-6, 4-6, No. 1-10.

EDGBASTON: DFS Classic women's tournament: First round: R McCuffan (Aus—bi S Taleja (Cro) 6-1, 6-3; L Nesland (Lat) bi R Grande (R) 5-7, 8-1 8-2; T Tanasugam (Thai) bi M Tu (US) 6-3, 7-5; L Cerisova (Cr) bi T Panova (Russ) 7-6, 7-5; C Cristee (Pom) bi E Gaghardi (Switz) 6-7, 7-6, 6-3; K Brandi (US) bi M Saeki (Japan) 6-3, 7-6; G Heigeson-Neissen (US) bi J Chi (US) 6-4, 6-0; N Kijimuta (Japan) bi L McNoil (US) 9-6, 6-4, 9-7; K Kunce (Aus) bi M Weingartner (Ger) 6-2, 6-2; D Chiadkova (Cr) bi S Pfitcwicki (Fr) 6-3, 4-6, 6-1
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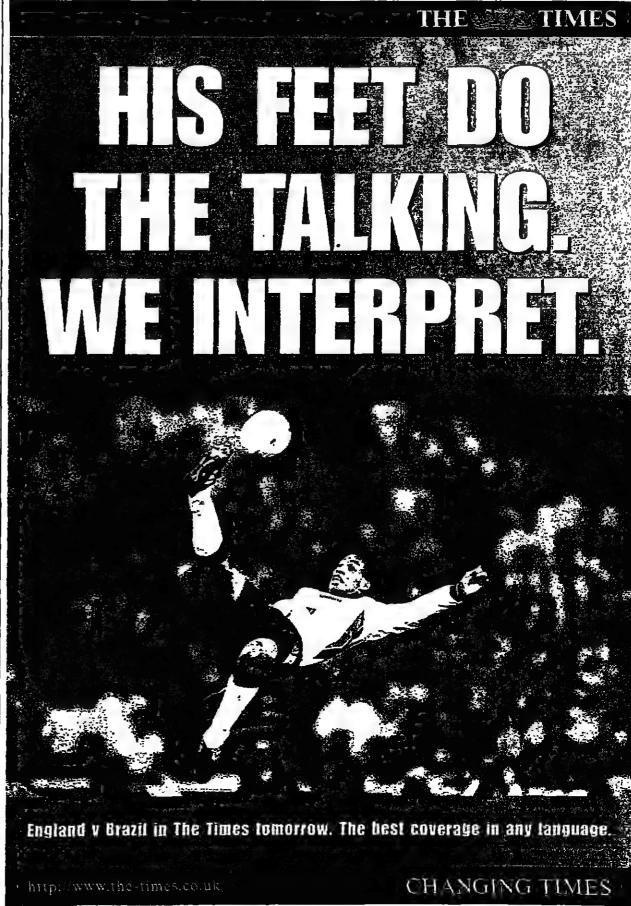
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RUGBY UNION Benson and Hedges Cup New Zealand Maoris v Iraland Dev XV (in Palmerston North, 8 35am) CANTERBURY: Kent v Northamptonshire THE OVAL: Surrey v Leicestershire OTHER SPORT

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CRICKET

England to tinker while Taylor is left to soldier on

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

Lord's since 1934.

term, "in crisis".

This time, it may be differ-

ent. England are at their most

cohesive in many years, Aus-

tralia at their most vulnerable.

While the shadows over Tay-

lor have been driven back, if

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Test marked out a number of

other concerns for a touring

team that may soon genuinely qualify for the tritely touted

Consider the facts. The only

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senting the Duke of Norfolk.

They have suffered six defeats.

four of them by England.

Jason Gillespie, on whom so

many hopes were pinned, is

out for an unknown period

with hamstring trouble: Paul

ENGLAND'S cricketers celeand eyes blazing, bowled the brated on Sunday night and best spells of the match, one of the nation celebrated with them entirely without luck them. The fervour for success against Mark Taylor. He also against Australia, embodied took the most critical wickets. by the players and willingly taken up by an avid public, is The England management has asked that he should rest now expressed in a tangible between now and Lord's: way: one-nil. Lord's, next Yorkshire are preparing to do week, will be a carnival. without him for their champ-The Australians, beaten out ionship game at the Oval on

Thursday of sight in the first Test at Not since 1981 has either Edghaston, have ten days to country come from behind to come to terms with an erosion of confidence in vital areas of win an Ashes series and their team. England's only Australia must somehow borrow the spirit of that famous problem is to prevent too summer and reverse the roles. much premature triumphal-Doubtless, they will take so-lace from the fact that Engism and to decide whether to tinker with a winning XI. land have not beaten them at

Michael Atherton sounded tired but proud yesterday and both emotions were fully justified. "It was a wonderful game for us and I have not known an atmosphere like it in this country," he said. "There is a terrific spirit in the team and we all stayed together in Birmingham on Sunday night. I sense that people around the country, who hadn't given us a chance before the Texaco Trophy, are now gathered behind

us. It's a good feeling." The feeling must be protected and there are indications that the counties, previously ambivalent, are responding to the mood. Darren Gough. England's most precious bowling asset turned in 45 overs at Edgbaston and his fire must not be extinguished. Gough, knees pumping,

Surrey back Lewis

CHRIS LEWIS, the Surrey and England all-rounder, was yesterday cleared of any wrong-doing during an unsavoury incident at the end of an Axa Life League match at the Oval on Sunday (Simon Wilde writes)

Lewis had just left the field when he was subjected to what Paul Sheldon, Surrey's chief executive, described as "revolting provocation" from a lone spectator responsible for "physical and verbal racial in which, some reports alleged, Lewis landed two glancing blows. The spectator, who also racially abused security guards, was pulled away and ejected from the ground.

Club officials and Adam Hollioake, the Surrey captain, emphasised that there was no suggestion of Lewis having to face a disciplinary inquity. but he and other players were asked for their accounts of the incident "I'm behind Chris

Reiffel arrives today to reinforce the attack. Mark Waugh, their premier batsman, made five and one at Edgbaston and spent the time between innings in hospital. There is more, Glenn

McGrath and Shane Warne, their two bowlers of undisputed world class, are below their best. McGrath took two for 149 in Birmingham, generally bowling the wrong length: Warne took one for 137 and seemed bereft of the control which, disregarding his periodic magic, has set him apart from other wrist spinners.

If England had begun a tour in this fashion, the headlines would already be beseeching the selectors to call everyone home and start again. Instead they were yesterday the subject of what may be an unprecedented mark of esteem. Down the years, players and selectors have been separated by suspicion, prejudice and downright distrust, yet here was Nasser Hussain, the man of the match at Edgbaston, saying of the victory: "It's especially nice for the new

Whether they realise it or not, this was a sign of great faith in Messrs Graveney, Gooth and Gatting - a sign more than anything, that the players feel that the right people are in charge of their

Graveney, the chairman of the streamlined panel, admitted to having worn out several carpets while pacing the Edgbaston ground. Always a restless watcher, reluctant to intrude on the space of the players or to join the cocktail set in the committee room, he watched and fretted goodnaturedly throughout.

Come the end of the week, he and his colleagues must decide whether Devon Malcolm is worth another chance, whether it is now time for two spin bowlers and whether Adam Hollioake should make his Test debut at Lord's. For a little longer, though, they can join the rest of the country in



White, of Yorkshire, steers the ball into the leg side on his way to a score of 72

Trainor tames Yorkshire

By MICHAEL AUSTIN

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HARROGATE (Yorkshire won toss): Gloucestershire beat Yorkshire by five wickets

A THIRD defeat by Gloucestershire in consecutive days, this time in the Costcutter Cup semi-final, furrowed Yorkshire's already fevered brows. Nick Trainor, with a first-class hundred against the Australians to his name already this summer, scored 113 from 126 balls to guide Gloucestershire to their fourth consecutive final tomorrow.

On an excellent, straw-coloured pitch yielding a harvest

YORKSHIRE

BOWLING: Lewis 7-0-37-1; Sheeraz 11-0-38-1; Hancock 8-2-48-0; Trainor 9-0-88-0; Davis 11-0-56-1; Alleyne 6-1-33-1; Young

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the loss of Matthew Hoggard, of 613 runs, Trainor survived 20, with a groin strain after delivering 14 balls. Yorkshire the loss of Shaun Young and Monte Lynch - more eminent fast scorers - to do some runwere a bowler short. Lehplundering of his own. Lynch. mann, bowling emergency slow left-arm, conceded 80 runs from it overs. figures in his own sharp-eyed style, made 61 from 66 balls during a crucial partnership of 99 that the kindly Tannoy anwith Trainor. nouncer did not divulge to the Yorkshire made 305 for 4 off

their 55 overs, yet still have not Hoggard, Pudsey-born, awaits his championship deproduced an individual centubut, but unlike some budding ry-maker in the 22-year history of this competition. fast bowlers, runs in without David Byas, Craig White and undue reliance on his delivery stride. He left the field, head Darren Lehmann all passed bowed in frustration, though fifty, yet victory was in the realms of cosy notions. After Richard Kettleborough. another young prospect, earned the acclaim of Leh-SCOREBOARD mann, his batting partner and senior run-maker, who

> the Yorkshire innings. This match, as one-day cricket should be, was mostly about batting feats, and the partnership of 155 between Byas and White was a record for the second wicket in this competition. Today. Durham. the holders, meet Scotland. new entrants and World Cup qualifiers, in the other semi-

stepped aside to applaud him

to the pavilion at the close of

their only success.

Paul Strang, the wrist-spinintention to help his new teammates return to Lord's.

Kent are balanced in batting

Southerners seek comfort of Lord's final

By Michael Henderson

WHEN the draw for today's Benson and Hedges Cup semi-finals was made, it was commonly assumed that the pairings would produce an allsouthern final at Lord's on July 12. No doubt the sponsors would prefer that. When, in 1992, Northamptonshire beat Leicestershire in the NatWest Trophy, it was the only oneday domestic final for which both counties failed to sell their allocation of tickets.

Surrey and Kent enjoy home advantage and rising reputations, but the former should remember that they are playing the champion county, and the latter that the Cobblers know perfectly well how to reach Lord's the hard way, even though they have difficulty winning when they get there. They have contested four finals this decade, and that victory five years ago was

The match at Canterbury brings together the teams that lost the final to Lancashire in each of the previous two years. Kent failed in 1995 despite a century of surpassing brilliance by Aravinda de Silva, and Northamptonshire went down last year, which was Rob Bailey's first as captain. One of cricket's really good men, he accepted defeat most graciously, and deserves to hold up a cup some time in his

It would be a very good win if Northamptonshire did it. Kent are an improving side. and Canterbury has probably the most one-eyed crowd in the country. By racing towards the more vocal spectators, and waving his bat around like a medieval swordsman, as he did after the quarter-final victory against Warwickshire. Graham Cowdrey was only behaving as his father did all those years ago, and Frank Woolley before him.

ning all-rounder from Zimbabwe, is expecting to play. He broke the little finger of his left hand last month but, short of actually saying: "Wild horses couldn't keep me out of this one," he has declared his

and bowling and have started

Northamptonshire claimed an outstanding win at Head-ingley in the last round and will take some knocking over. It should be a very close

THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T

Despite their lofty reputation. Surrey are struggling. So far this season they have supplied five players to the England side and, in their absence, their form in the championship, which they were strongly fancied to win at the start of the season, has been wretched: no wins from five matches, and two heavy defeats.

Gloucestershire and Essex have already caned them at the Oval, and Somerset would almost certainly have won there in the first week if rain had not intervened. Moreover, when they were drawn, rather

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invitingly, against Yorkshire in this competition last year. albeit at the quarter-final stage, they played poor cricket. One way or another, they have quite a lot of ground to make up.

This year, despite their poor form so far, they expect to be among the important prizes. A batting side that starts with Stewart and Butcher, and goes on through Thorpe and two Hollioakes, does not lack en-

Leicestershire go a long way on spirit, and conjured up a fine quarter-final win over Somerset. Today they must set another trap for the unwary, and Surrey will need to be sufficiently well prepared to avoid being dragged into the

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Redoubtables get home help

R edoubtables are the oldest women's cricket Formed in 1921 as part of a Lambeth church sports sec-tion, the Surrey club has finally had its most fervent prayer answered and found a permanent home. This event could have significant implications for the women's game.

A National Lottery handout of £1.6 million was awarded last week and will enable Redoubtables to buy and develop derelict playing fields at Plough Lane in Beddington. The new, three-tier pavilion will provide state-of-the-art sporting and recreational facilities in the first women's cricket community centre.

It has all been made possible through the efforts of Jenny Wostrak, Until recently, she was the unpaid public relations officer for the Wom-en's Cricket Association and, at the age of 50, still plays occasionally for Redoubtahles. Wostrak's job us a development officer for the London Community Cricket Association (LCCA) has enabled her to realise another innovative project.

Founded in 1984 in the wake of inner city riots, the LCCA is a charity dedicated to

JUHA KANKKUNEN, of Fin-

land, and Carlos Sainz, of

Spain, driving Fords, pulled

clear in the Acropolis Rally in

Greece vesterday.

Kankkunen, who had started the day with a 27-

Mitsubishis of Richard Burns.

of Great Britain, and Tommi

Makinen, of Finland, had seen

his advantage over Burns cut

to 17 seconds at the end of the

tenth stage, but slowly rebuilt

Burns was unable to match

the Fords and, after a spin on

the twelfth stage that cost him

almost 20 seconds, was over-

taken by Sainz on the final

☐ Powerboating: Scott

Gillman, of the United States,

won the world Formula One

powerboat Grand Prix of

Europe in St Petersburg on

Sunday. Gillman had cap-

it to 37 seconds over Samz.

over the

second lead

stage of the day.

SPORT IN BRIEF

Kankkunen pulls clear

Sarah Potter on an innovative project

keeping the capital's playing fields green and encouraging the sporting participation of disadvantaged groups. A notable success was the formation of the Haringey Cricket College, a training

and employment initiative in coaching and sports administration for the unemployed and ethnic minorities, from which several students graduated to become professional The LCCA is committed to

helping nomadic sides find long-term homes. "There are so lew grounds in London that people actually own," Wostrak said, "It is very difficult relying on local authority facilities. Women are usually at the back of the queue and green sites are under threat,

Now, with the help of the English Sports Council and local authority regeneration budgets, recreational land has at least a sporting chance of keeping at bay the hard skin grown so readily by the con-

crete mixers. "I kept driving past these

qualifying round and led from

start to finish. It was the

second race in the series, the

first having been won by

☐ Basketball: Karl Malone

scored 23 points and Utah

made nine points in the final

two minutes to grab a 78-73

victory over Chicago in Salt

Lake City and level the best-of-

seven National Basketball As-

☐ Equestrianism: Volvo. the

Swedish car manufacturer.

announced vesterday that it

will stop sponsoring the show

jumping and dressage World Cups in April 1998.

☐ Motor racing: Mark Blundell, of England, and

Mauricio Gugelmin, of Brazil,

ran out of fuel on the final lap,

allowing Greg Moore, of Can-

ada, to win the Detroit

sociation finals at 2-2.

Jonathon Jones, of Wales.

that should enhance the women's game acres in Beddington, thinking

how ridiculous it was the site

was derelict," Wostrak said. Redoubtables needed a home, so I thought, 'How do we do this? Ironically, because the owners of the land were not prepared to sell at recreational value, despite a previous plan-

> pad up with a building сотрапу. inden Homes proved the ideal batting part-iner. The firm bought the five-acre site and, in return for planning consent for one acre, gave the remaining land to the LCCA, together with a

ning application refusal.

Wostrak's only option was to

£200.000 endowment to help to offset maintenance costs, Wostrak then seized the opportunity to provide a whole range of facilities for the local community. Archery, football and hockey will all exist alongside the high-tech cricket school, which has been designed by David Morley Architects, who were recently

responsible for the new in-

level the ground begins next month and, when the project is complete. Redoubtables will have first right to the pitch. As a former organiser of junior cricket in Surrey. Wostrak is delighted to have secured a centre for the distaff Through the lottery and

the Sports Council, it is now possible to say to traditionally chauvinistic groups that if you don't encourage the participation of women or minority groups, you won't get the money," she said. "That's quite right." Clearly, with 90 per cent of

lottery awards under £1 million and the vast majority under £100,000, that is a message being actively en-dorsed. I knew it was a good application because of its implications for women. Wostrak added, "but, nonetheless. I'm thrilled. All the players at Redoubtables are very excited."

They will have to pitch their stumps elsewhere for a season or two more but, in the meantime. Wostrak might just have found a way for women cricketers to show that the grass is greener on your

SAILING

Golding's race lead more than doubled

By Edward Gorman, sailing correspondent

CONFIRMATION that the BT Global Challenge is going to be won by Mike Golding on Group 4 came late on Sunday when Toshiba Wave Wurrior reached Boston in a time that more than doubles Golding's overali lead.

At the start of the lifth and penultimate leg from Cape Town to Boston, Walker was 22 hours adrift in second place overali.

However, he never established a position from which he could challenge Golding on this, the longest of iegs, and arrived at Boston in third place for the stage but more than two days behind Group 4 overall. Early yesterday Toshiba was followed in by Boris Webber's Courtaulds

International in fourth place a superb achievement for a crew which for most of the race has been rooted to the back of fleet. Webber's team were followed in by Chris Tibbs on Concert in fifth, with Save the Children skippered by Andy Hindley, a couple of hours later.

Hindley has slipped further behind Walker in the battle for second overall.

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tured pole position in the IndyCar Grand Prix.

RUGBY UNION: BATH STAND-OFF AND CLUB COLLEAGUE REDMAN PUT TO THE TEST

Catt in swift call-up for Lions

FROM DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT IN PRETORIA

MIKE CATT will make his first appearance for the British isles tomorrow in his club position of stand-off half, yet by the end of the Lions tour there is every reason to sup-pose he may challenge as a full back. Catt will play against Gauteng (formerly Trans-vaal), last season's Currie Cup finalists, along with Nigel Redman, his club colleague and the second replacement to join the tour party from

In what has been a fraught week for the Lions - while they have been in Pretoria three players have been lost to them through injury, a fourth

TEAM

BRITISH ISLES XV (v Gautang) N Beat (Northampton and England) J Bentley (Neucastle and England) A Bateman (Richmond and Wales) W Greenwood (Lecester). T Underwood (Newcastle and England). M Catt (Beth and England) A Heatey (Lecester and England). T Smith (Walsonsans and Scotland). B Williams (Rachmond and Wales). P Williams

has been suspended and their unbeaten record fell to Northern Transvaal - they must now play in the space of four days the losers and the winners (Natal) of the Currie Cup. if nothing else, more will be known about the character of this squad by the weekend.

Nor has Ian McGeechan. the coach, been slow to emphasise the importance of the match at Ellis Park, in downtown Johannesburg, tomorrow. "A number of players have a hell of a lot to play for on Wednesday," he said after a training session from which both Allan Bateman and Rob Wainwright withdrew with hamstring and hip complaints respectively. Both are expected

to be fit tomorrow and it is important that they should be if they are to challenge for

The loss of Scott Quinnell with a damaged groin must enhance the prospects of Tim Rodber, the match captain tomorrow, being the No 8 against South Africa, who play their warm-up match against Tonga in Cape Town today. Indeed, Rodber leads ten of

the side that played so well in scoring 64 points against Mpumalanga a week ago and whose skills will now be examined by much bener opponents.

However, Cart, himself a replacement for Paul Grayson, displaces Neil Jenkins who may be wondering where his tour is going - to resume the half-back partnership with Austin Healey that served England well against Wales in Cardiff last March. But if doubts remain over Tim Stimpson's quality as an international full back, the Lions must consider Can in that role sooner rather than later, given his ability to read the game better than Stimpson.

It is hard to believe that Jenkins can play full back against South Africa on this four and far easier to see him in his club role of stand-off. "Can has been playing No 10 and the momentum he has built in his play deserves a run in that position," McGeechan said. Certainly, Catt has been in commanding form for Bath at home and for England in Argentina; but he is unlikely to oust Gregor Townsend for the international series and it would be intriguing were he to play full back against the Emerging Springboks in Wel-

lington a week today. Redman is revelling in his new role, after replacing the unfortunate Doddie Weir. "This is the icing on the cake of a long career," Redman, 32. said. "When Jack Rowell told me the Lions wanted me, I



Catt puts in some serious training with his new colleagues in the British Isles touring team in South Africa in preparation for his debut tomorrow against Gauteng

said I couldn't believe it. Jack said that he couldn't either. But playing for your country is a big thing and I still haven't lost the passion for playing for England - I would like to carry that over to playing for

The Bath lock had a knee operation during the final month of the domestic season. It has cleared up groin and back problems and he is now running far more freely. He

played three matches in Aromission from the South Afrigentina and has hurled himself into the Lions' training programme with such intensi ty that he has quickly acquired the angry purple patches on and caused the friction of heavy

Tomorrow his opponents will include Kobus Wiese, who is expected to have recovered from a calf injury and whose

scrummaging.

can squad - three of his Gauteng colleagues, Hannes Strydom, James Dalton and Japie Mulder are away on national duty - will add extra motivation.

Gauteng will also have Roberto Grau available to prop now that Grau has returned from Buenos Aires, where he opposed Redman in the first international between Argentina and England.

Rowell left waiting for World Cup contract

form in Argentina. A tour that had had damage limitation as its main term of reference had comfortably exceeded expectation.

The first international had

been won in thrilling circum-stances by a makeshift side that had confounded even Rowell. The possibility of a piece of history beckoned. Then Fran Cotton, the British Isles manager, came calling for Mike Can and Nigel Redman, injuries started to mount and the series was shared rather than won. The atmosphere soured a little and Rowell's mood changed, understandably, to one of exas-peration and frustration.

In this professional era, coaches are judged on results and a 2-0 victory against Argentina would have strengthened his hand considerably when negotiations begin — if they ever do — on a new contract that Rowell hopes will take him through to the 1999 World Cup.

His present agreement ends in August and, with an eye on the future, he said yesterday "I have a great love of the game of rugby and the people in it, and this tour has reinforced that. I enjoy the environment, the challenge, everything: and I have never enjoyed it as much as now. To see the team development and the game-plan through in such an exciting way; if that is not motivating, I don't know

Derek Morgan, the chair-man of the Rugby Football Union national playing com-mittee, which will decide Rowell's future, said: "It is fair to say Jack would have liked to have had knowledge of any contract extension, or any change, in advance. The nature of this job is that you are always on trial. Results are very important but you have to balance that against what you are trying to achieve. Jack is aware of the process, he is not happy about it, but he

trademark surge up the left

flank, swatting off four

Further tries by Johnson

and Robinson in the first II

minutes of the second period

ensured Wigan of their open-

ing win in pool A, which will go a long way to giving them a quarter-final berth. The one

cloud was the hamstring inju-

ry to Andy Farrell that forced

him off after 50 minutes and

could have serious conse-

quences for the team, should it

CANTERBURY BULLDOGS: R SWR. H EI Masn, M Ryan, J Timu, D Halbgan; C Potta-Mounter, D McRae, S Proce, J Hefrenngton, M Newton, R Reit, S Haumono, S Gilles Substitutes: B Ward, T Norton, J Potening,

not heal quickly.

tacklers.

The England coach is concerned about his

long-term future.

Mark Souster reports

For all his faults - and he has a few: over-sensitivity being one of them, poor communication another, as well as an occasional reluctance to make difficult decisions regarding players -Rowell deserves to stay in charge. The purpose of the six-match tour — on which Eng-land won four matches and lost two - was to blood the next generation of internationals ahead of the World Cup and at the same time give others, Ben Clarke and Kyran Bracken among them, the opportunity for rehabilitation. in that regard, partly by

accident, partly by design, it was an unmitigated success, The players worked very hard and we played some very exciting and successful rug-by." Rowell said. "There was something to go for in the second test but weaknesses in the structure of the team were too apparent on Saturday. For these inexperienced players to come together like they have is unique."

Ten more players have won caps, which can only benefit England in the longer term. even if not all of them. in racing parlance, train on. Clarke and Bracken were high on the list of contenders for the player-of-the-tour acco-lade. With Catt out of the running, though, the final vote must go to Tony Diprose. the Saracens No & a player about whom Rowell has been effusive in his praise.

Diprose said: "I hope I am now in the equation. My aim from this tour was to get a cap and I am going back with two. I haven't thought about Australia |England's next international opponents in July). All the focus has been on the two internationals here.



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Three first-half tries by Rus-

ANTHONY SWANN, the

Auckland Warriors centre. faces a probable suspension when he appears before the Rugby Football League (RFL) disciplinary panel on Thursday for allegedly putting his knee into the face of Andy Haigh in the opening world club championship match at

A one-match ban would keep Swann, who scored two tries in the 42-12 defeat of St Helens, out of the pool A match at Bradford on Saturday and a suspension of two matches would mean he would be unavailable for Auckland's remaining games in the first series of pool

sell Richardson were an indication of Cronulla's exccause of the European sides' downfall in the first three days of competition. The crowd too, was a disappointment. At 3,378, there were only 50 more than watched Warrington's defeat of Barrow in the Challenge Cup on the opening day

It is already embarrassingly clear that, whereas most of the European sides must feed off scraps to get among the four automatic places in the quarter-finals, a genuine competition is emerging for the four Australasian places. John Lang, the Cronulla coach, said: The way things are going, we are going to have to win every game if we want to get into the knockout stages. Points for and against are

Although it seems likely that the tournament next year will be an elite competition for the top-four finishers in the respective Super Leagues, Maurice Lindsay, the RFL chief executive, said it was not a vote of no-confidence in the dozen European teams.

"The results do not detract from the fact that we are exposing our players to intense international competition and that they are now aware of the standards they should be aiming for," Lind-

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RUGBY LEAGUE: WIGAN STRIKE BLOW FOR NORTHERN HEMISPHERE IN WORLD CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Robinson shows Bulldogs the best of British

canteroury Buildogs ... 18 Wigan Warriors 22

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

WIGAN bridged a credibility gap in the world club championship with their timely victory yesterday at the Belmore Oval. For now, at least, the goading of the British game has stopped, and a tournament that was suffocating under the weight of points piled up by the southern hemisphere sides has the oxy-

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(1) Showing 17-18 points.

(2) Club support, forcing.

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Australian soil.

If Chris Anderson, the Canterbury coach, really had not bothered to study their visitors on video beforehand, he did his team a disservice. Wigan were clearly underestimated, possibly because of the ease with which British sides had already been beaten. It was a dangerous assumption, given Wigan's track record against Australian opposition.

They had beaten Manly. Penrith and Brisbane respectively, in the 1987, 1991 and

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HEEHAN on BRIDGE

By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent

At match-pointed pairs, it is rare to play Five of a Minor suit. Frequently there will be ten tricks in No-trumps, and so even if

you make an overtrick in Five of a Minor you will still have a

poor board. So this was a good sequence, from the European Pairs finals, by the British pair, Ian Panto and Malcolm Harris.

(4) Showing strength in hearts. It is the key bid in the auction.

(5) If West's major suits had been the other way round, he would

have bid Three No-Trumps. As it is, he can see there is a

(6) Cue-bid; give West AQx in diamonds, and Six Clubs is a

Many pairs tables were going minus on the East-West cards.

☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport

(7) Lacking good playing strength, he wisely signs off.

Five Clubs with an overtrick scored a near 'top'.

and in the Weekend section on Saturday.

matches, but this triumph was more notable for being achieved when Wigan are not at the height of their powers and when expectations were at their lowest. After an initially rocky start to the domestic season, Wigan have returned stronger, more positive and with a will to succeed that surprised Canterbury, the 1995 Australian champions.

The relief of tournament organisers was matched by that of Wigan, whose 22-0 lead was pared to four points in the

BY RAYMOND KEENE

CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Today I continue my homage to Howard Staunton in advance of

the unveiling of his long overdue headstone at Kensal Green ceme-

tery, west London, on July 28. In 1843 Staunton took on the leading

Frenchman Saint Amant, in a 21-

Having started as the slight underdog. Staunton went on to

ionship matches were only in-

stituted in 1886, many have since

regarded Staunton as the un-official world champion of his

time. The following game dem-onstrates his breadth of strategic

Sicilian Defence

Nc6 d5 Obe Bd7 Rc8 Nh6

White: Saint Amant

Staunton's exploits

in. As a former Canterbury player, Eric Hughes, the Wigan coach, derived particular pleasure from victory. The British game needed that," he said. "We need competitions like this. We have to play the best players, who are in Australia. if we are to improve."

As was the case three years ago in Brisbane, a towering defensive display won the game. Only six survivors of the victorious 1994 Wigan team remained, including Mick Cassidy, who put his

gxf4 Ng5 Ne4 Rxc1 Kd7 Bg5 Rg8 dxe4 hvg5 g4

Diagram of final position

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Anyone wishing to attend the

unveiling ceremony should contact Barry Martin on 0181-744 2868.

Raymond Keene writes on chess

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anyone. No one in Australia needed reminding of Jason Robinson's finishing. Two tries will increase the clamour by the Australian Rugby League to tie him to the contract that he is due to start next month. Canterbury made a mess of

several early chances and the resolution of Wigan's tackling in keeping them out for more than an hour meant their recovery came too late. As Halligan converted tries by Hetherington, Timu and Ryan, nails on the Wigan bench were bitten to the quick. Enough had been done,

however. At half back, Smith and Wright were an inspired combination in splitting Canterbury open down the middle

ts Barrigan. WIGAN WARRICRS: H Paut, J Robinson, G Connolly, k Radinski, A Johnson, N Winght, A Smith, N Cowe, M Hall, L Hansen, N Haughton, M Cassay, A Farroll, Sub-nitudes: G Tallec, S Holgate, D Cardiso, P Koto. Referee: G Armesley (Sydney). numerous times. With Silva out of position at full back, Wright saw an opportunity and Robinson latched onto his precise kick. Haughton

Swann facing ban for injury to rival

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

St Helens last Friday.

Swann was ordered yesterday to go before the committee after Greg McCallum, the RFL director of referees, and the League's executive committee studied a video of the incident, in which Haigh's cheek-bone was damaged, and found that Swann had a case

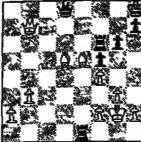
Before the rot was stopped

by Wigan Warriors in Sydney, Warrington Wolves became the eighth consecutive victims of the Australasian onslaught in a 40-12 defeat by Cronulla Sharks at Wilderspool on Sunday night. Although another one-sided contest, Warrington's spirit persisted. Nigel Vagana and Kelly Shelford claimed late tries as Cronulla's

Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend section on Saturday. By Raymond Keene

WINNING MOVE

White to play. This position is from the game Anic-Santo Roman, Montpellier 1991. White's superb bishops dominate the board and are more than a match for the black



WORD-WATCHING By Philip Howard

> a. Prussian mulitary exercise b. A tent-pole c. A crystalline mineral

a. A Canton of Switzerland

b. A big weasel c. Heraldic grey b. A Burmese chieftain Answers on page 50

rooks. Can you spot White's

TENNIS: RICHARDSON AND LEE BATTLE BACK TO KEEP THE FLAG FLYING AT QUEEN'S CLUB

Singular success for British pair

By Julian Muscat, tennis correspondent

THE light continues to shine on British sport. With the leading eight seeds savouring a day of respite, Andrew Richardson and Martin Lee, a brace of domestic tyros, took maximum advantage of the vacant stage to post stirring victories at the Stella Artois championships yesterday.

Both men had their backs to the wall after disastrous starts, but both closed out their matches to delight an unashamedly partisan crowd at Queen's Club, west London. Lee's was the bigger scalp, his 0-6, 6-4, 6-4 triumph over Andrei Olhovskiy, of Russia, coming when he seemed destined for a whitewash, but the victory of Richardson, who beat Sargis Sargisian, of Armenia, was more poignant. He now plays Tim Henman in the second round after prevail-

Initially, Richardson, 23, attempted to embellish his sta-tus as a "wild card". His game lacked control as Sargisian fairly rifled into a 5-2 lead. However. Sargisian. ranked 184 places ahead of his apponent, saw evidence of a Richardson revival before taking the first set on a tie-break. The setback served to spur Richardson, whose timing and service rhythm improved noticeably as the match pro-

gressed.
"Early on I was trying to get to the net too fast," Richardson said. "I was nervous and started badly. I played better when I changed my game-plan." That involved the tall left-hander forsaking the net on his second service, and he quickly reversed the flow. From 2-2 in the second set, a

vo Kuerten, the new

laughing musketeer of

Roland Garros, he was head-

ing into Paris "to make some

samba". His journey from

66th in the world tennis

computer rankings to player

of the moment, leaves the

sport with a sense of the

unexpected, an antidote to

One is tempted to remem-

ber him among exalted com-pany. We first saw Pelè in

Gothenburg. Ali at the Rome

Olympics. Olga Korbut in

Munich, Maradona, as it

happens, on a wet night in

Glasgow, and Tiger Woods,

of course, at Augusta.
But is he really heading for

his test from now, starting, as

he acknowledges, with Wim-bledon, which was his origi-

nal dream "until I learnt how

difficult it is to play on grass".

He knows the challengers will be lining up to take him now,

just as he, the relative un-

French Open champions in

overcame three

cynicism.

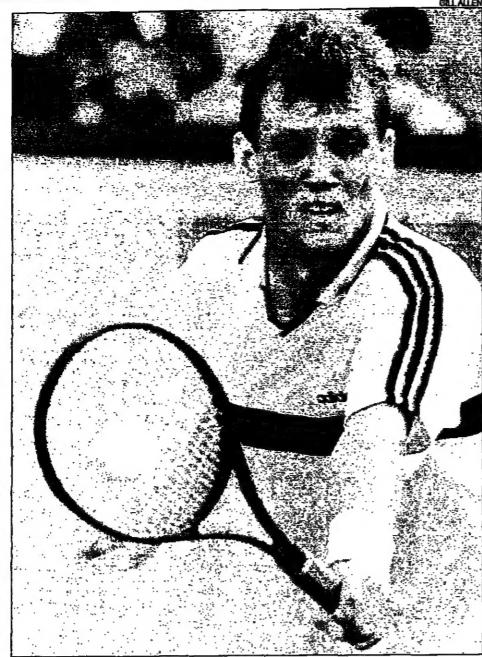
brought him level, and he had opportunities to end the match long before a solitary service break in the deciding set secured the encounter with

regularly practised together before their careers took divergent paths, but Richardson, ranked No 253 in the world, has no qualms about trying to cut short Henman's activities here this week. "That's what friends are for," he chuckled.

Who could blame him? Richardson has endured a disappointing sequence since his spirited Davis Cup victory over Byron Black, of Zimbabwe, two months ago. "I put too much pressure on myself after that," he said. "I hadn't won in three weeks so I am pleased to have played like that in an atmosphere I am not used to." Perhaps the courtside presence of David Lloyd, Britain's Davis Cup captain, helped to raise his

If the atmosphere affected Richardson, then Lee, 19, had good reason to feel intimidated as Olhovskiy, Henman's master in the second round here 12 months ago, disorientated the youngster with a fusillade of clean winners. Athough Lee sported the blueand-yellow colours in which Gustavo Kuerten conquered Paris, his sartorial taste seemed hoplessly misplaced as he forfeited the first seven

But Lee, who headed the world junior rankings last year, rallied strongly as Olhovskiy grew ever less tolerant of his inability to dominate his opponent. The pity was that Lee's father, Brian, a



Richardson drives a powerful backhand during his victory over Sargisian yesterday

tennis coach and occupied in that capacity yesterday afternoon, was unable to witness his son's inaugural victory on the ATP Tour.

By his own admission Lee, from Sussex, has found life tough since graduating to senior level. He has performed grade satellite circuit but this victory should do wonders for

competitive domain. Ranked No 500 in the world, his wildcard entry was presented to him just an hour in advance of the qualifying competition. By contrast, Mark Petchey.

the British No 3, succumbed to the silken grass-court skills of Leander Paes, of India, who was untroubled in triumphing 6-1 6-2. There was more to celebrate, though, when Henman and Greg Rusedski

mixed doubles champions

came from Japan and India.

the men's doubles from Rus-

sia and the Czech Republic.

and the boys' doubles champi-

ons were from Venezuela and

How ready we are to turn

over new leaves in sport, to

turn away from the deposed

champions. How swiftly the

laughter of Kuerten and the

fresh fragrance of Majoli

helped us forget the person at

Roland Garros who has given

as much as anyone in recent

times to that tournament, and

who seemed to take defeat the

Steffi Graf, struggling after

a knee injury and perhaps

more likely to be in her

athletic prime on grass, had tried to rationalise her life and

times as she approaches the

grand old age of 28. "I have a

different outlook," she told us.

now decreased quite a bit."

first-round assignments in the doubles. Henman, whose world singles ranking dropped five places yesterday, to No 22, linked with Pete Sampras to beat Aleksandar Kitinov and Nuno Marques in straight sets. Rusedski teamed up with Marc-Kevin Goellner to oust Paul Kilderry and Michael Tebbutt, the Australian combination, in straight sets. Who'd be an Australian

in London this week

Neiland given

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

LARISA NEILAND, of Latvia, suffered a fright before becoming the first seeded player through to the second round of the DFS Classic

The event's No 16 seed lost the first set 7-5 to Rita Grande,

the United States. The tournament's top eight seeds all

States, who beat Miho Saeki, of Japan, 6-3, 7-6.

late entry into the Direct Line Championships which begin at Devonshire Park, Eastbourne, next Tuesday. Seles won the Eastbourne title last year and is keen to have more grass-court practice before Wimbledon — the only grandslam event that she has not won — begins on June 23.

Seles, beaten by Martina Hingis in the semi-finals of the French Open last week, made an outstanding debut at Eastbourne last year when she did not drop a set and overwhelmed her fellow American, Mary Joe Fernandez, 6-0, 6-2 in the final.

She joins the new French Open champion, Iva Majoli, Croatia, two former Wimbledon finalists, Jana Novotna, of the Czech Republic. and Arantxa Sánchez Vicario, of Spain, and the gy. Venus Williams, in one of the event's

indicated that she will compete, though she has not yet confirmed her entry.

TELEVISION CHOICE

Cracking the Highway Code

Here is one of those ideas that seems so obvious you wonder it has not been thought of before. The series is based on the simple but productive formula of following learner drivers through their lessons and tests. You can be sure that in none of the series will the ligators be receilly exceed. Take the cases will the licence be easily earned. Take Maureen, who has failed the test six times and spent £5,000 on lessons. As she narrowly avoids spent E5,000 on lessons. As she narrowly avoids hitting another vehicle, setting off a furious altercation with her husband in the front passenger seat, her ambition looks as far away as ever. We also meet Joan, on her third test and hoping to pass so that she can take her grand-children out. The joke is that they may get a licence before she does. For 17-year-old Danny the stimulus is the prospect of driving to see his girlfriend, who inconveniently lives 200 miles away.

TTV., 9.00pm

You may not know September Films by name but they are the people behind such series as Mistresses and Hollywood Lovers. Their latest venture is in the same mode, a compilation of smoothly-edited soundbites delivered by a raft of smoothly-edited soundbites delivered by a raft of celebrity laces. The result is candy-floss television, slipping down easily but not offering much by way of substance. Anybody wanting a profound and challenging appraisal of the British class system will have to look elsewhere. We start with the upper class and we are soon on to sex, with Michael Winner (how does he know?) declaring that "the aristocracy has always had an unbridled sex life". The mair enjoyment comes from guessing who will come up on the screen next. It is quite a film which includes among its cast not only Tara Palmer-Tomkinson and the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensbury but that lovable old villain, "Mad" Frankie Fraser.

We hear much about children who are out of control and this series features one of them. Paul is 12. He is aggressive and dishonest and screams if he does not get his way. He has been expelled from



Joan gets behind the wheel (BBCl, 8.00pm)

school, arrested for shoplifting and stolen £600 from his own mother. The puzzle is why. It seems that you can rule out social deprivation. His father is in work, his mother is at home full time and his older sister has never been in trouble. Perhaps his parents are a bit too easy on him, but that is diffi-cult to judge. His mother thinks there must be a medical problem. Enter Dr Don Gordon, a psychologist and delinquency expert from University of Ohio. He says he knows what the source of the difficulty is and hopes to be able to sort it out. Tomorrow's programme reveals his success.

BBC2, 11.45pm

Life of Crime

Radio 4, 8_30om

The Canadian Atom Egoyan, who won the grand jury prize at Cannes for The Sweet Hereafter, launches a series of evocative short films made by cinema directors and inspired by favourite paintings. Egoyan's film features his baby son, named Arshile after the painter Arshile Gorky with whom Egoyan shares Armenian roots. Gorky's A Portrait of the Artist with his Mother: the peg for a touching exploration of a mother-son relationship. In the other film showing tonight, the Australian director Ann Turner recalls childhood holidays at the seaside when the family would hire a beach hut. But her images, linked to the painting Bathing Boxes by her compatriot Jeffrey Smart, also present a more adult and erotic aspect of sun-drenched summers. Peter Waymark

No need to panic, this is not another of those tedious programmes in which reformed criminals explain how to climb a drainpipe. Instead, some of

the best crime writers around have been persuaded

to explore their art and their methodology, with some surprising results. Perhaps the most surprising is that there seems to be no agreed view as to what crime writing is all about. The first programme is presented by Frances Pyfield, who

writes crime novels as well as being a lawyer. She talks to five other writers, including P.D. James.

Minette Walters and James Lee Burke, Walters

thinks that most writing is not very realistic in the way it portrays murder and James thinks she is

WORLD SERVICE

CLASSIC FM

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RADIO CHOICE

Why Do We Care? Radio 2, 9.30pm

There are seven million people in Britain who qualify for the description "carer", in that they look after someone who is ill and they do it for nothing. They occasionally make the news, but a measure of their general invisibility is the fact that, in order to raise their profile, this week has been designated National Carers' Week. Valerie Singleton presents this documentary, which is in some ways most impressive for the fact that carers ask for so little (and get even less). Anne Skinner, for example, has three children, two of whom have disabilities. Like most carers, all she really wants is some recognition and a break every so often: "I would like to be able to say to a carers' centre, I'm so down today I'd just like to sleep for the weekend."

7.00cm Merk Raddelle 9.00 Simon Mayo 12.00 Jo Whiley 2.00cm Nicky Campbell 4.00 Kavin Greening 6.15 Newsbeat 6.30 Session 6.30 Digital Update 8.40 John Peel 10.30 Claire

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RADIO 5 LIVE

m Morning Reports 6.00 The Bro The Magazine 12.00 Midday with Mair 2.00pm Ruscoe on Five 4.00 Nationwide 7.00 News Edits 7.20 The Tuesday Match. Full commentary from Lens where England face world champions Brazil in the four-nation Tournoi de France 9.30 The champions Brazil in the four-haudh i purnol de Hance 9-au i ne 21st Century and How to Survive It Dominis Diamond end Fi Glover look at how technology will affect our lives 10.00 News Talk 11.00 News Extra 12.00 After Hours with Vincent Hanna 2.00em Up All Night with Rhod Sharp

TALK RADIO

5.00em Chris Ashley and Sandy War 7.00 Paul Ross 9.00 Scotl Chisholm 12.00 Lorraine Kally 2.00pm. Tommy Boyd 4.00 Peter Desiey 7.00 Anna Raebum 10.00 James Whale 1.00em Mike Dickin

6.90mm Russ 'n' Jono 10.00 Graham Dene 1.00mm Jeremy Clark 4.00 Nicky Home 6.00 Paul Coyle (FM) / Robin Banks (AM) 10.00 Mark Forrest 2.00mm Richard Porter

6.00am On Air, with Penny Gore. Includes Schumann (Faschingsschwark aus Wien); Rodrigo (Cinco Piezas Infantiles); Puccini (Crisantemi)
9.00 Morning Collection, with Peter Hobday. Includes Bocerini, orch Slokowski (Minuel, String Quintet, Op 13, No 5); Mozart (Plano Sonste in P)
10.00 Musical Encounters, with Kristeen McCue. Includes Glinka (Kamarnskaya); Debussy (Cello Sonata); Gabriell (Miserere; Gloria)
12.00 Composer of the Weelc Ravel
1.00pm City of London Sinfonia, under Richard Hickox. With Pamela Helen Stephen, soprano Canteloube (Chut Chut; Pasiourelle; Lou Coucout, Chants d'Auvergne); Ravel (Daux Mélodies Hebralques); Dutilleux (Les Citations); Ravel (Cinq Mélodies Popularies Greques); Milhaud (Le Boeuf sur le Tot)

2.00 Voices. Celebrates Brahms's centenary (r)
2.45 The BBC Orchestras. BBC National Orchestra of
Wales, under David Atherton. With Anthony Rolle Johnson, tenor, Michael Thomson, horn. Rossint (Overture: The Barber of Seville): Britten erenade for Tenor, Horn and Strings); endelssohn (Symphony No 3 in a minor,

4.00 Spirit of the Age. John Militon profile (r)
5.00 Music Machine. Musicians at the Globe Theatre and their director Philip Pickett talk about the instruments of Shakespeare's time
5.15 in Turne, with Sean Rafferty
7.30 Pebble Mill. Grigory Sokolov, plano. Includes Bach (Pretudes and Fugues) 8.20 The Dancing Master's Music by William Trevor, read by Niamh Cusack 8.40 Concert, part 2 Chopin (Polonalses in C sharp minor, Op 26 No 1; in E flat minor, Op 26 No 2; in C minor, Op 40 No 2, in F sharp minor, Op 44)

minor. Op 44)

9.30 in Translation: Silk, by Alessandro Baricco, translated from the Italian by Guido Waldman and

translated from the Italian by Guido Waldman and read by Jonathan Keable

9.55 The BBC Orchestras. Scottish Symphony
Orchestra. under Emilio Pomarico. A recording of the UK, premiere of Emanuel Nunes's Ruf given at the Usher Hall in Ediplourgh

10.45 Night Waves, with Richard Coles

11.30 Composer of the Weelc Dvorátk Abroad (r)

12.30 m Jazz Notes. Dave Gelly continues his calebration of classic vocal jazz recordings with Eta Fitzgerald and Jack Teagarden

1.00 Through the Night, with Donald Macleod

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW) 6.00 News Brieling 6.10 Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for the Day 8.30 Today, includes Thought for the Day 8.58 Weather 9.00 News 9.05 Call Edward Stourton

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Colony approaches the handover to China (4/6)

10.00 Delty Service (LW) 10.15 On This Day (LW)

10.30 Woman's Hour, with Jerni Murray

11.30 Medicine Now, with Geoff Watts

12.00 News; You and Yours, with Lestey Riddoch

12.25pm Quote... Unquote. With Nigel Rees, Jim
Broadbent, Sir John Drummond, John Sergeant
and Baroness Trumpington 12.55 Weather

1.00 The World at One, with Nick Clarke

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping Forecast

2.00 News; Thirty-Minute Theatre: Envelopes, by
Coin Hadyn Evans

2.30 Comparing Notes with Britan Key. Sheila Colum
and Alan Britten talk about 50 years of the
Aldeburgh Festival

3.00 The Afternoon Shift, with Daire Brehan

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Jim Crace about his new novel Quarantine

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7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 File on 4, with Jenny Cuffe
8.00 Science Now, with Peter Evans (r)
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10.00 The World Tonight with Jeremy Harris
10.45 Book at Bedtime: The Sandy Bottom Orchestra, by Garnson Keillor and Jerny Lind Nilsson. Read by Barbara Barnes (2/10)
11.00 Mediumwave (i)
11.30 A View from Abroad. The second of six views of Britain by international authors leatures the Spanish writer Pedro Sorela (r)
11.30 Today in Parliament (FM)
12.00 News (LW) Incl 12.27sm approx Weather
12.30am The Late Book: The Information, by Martin Amis. Read by William Nighy (7/15) (r)
12.48 Shipping Forecast 1.00 As World Service

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WORD-WATCHING

Answers from page 49

FEMORALS

(b) Clothing for the thighs, breeches. From the Latin femur, femoris a thigh. The Dougy Bible, Leviticus vi, 10: "The priest shall be revested with the tunike and the linnen femoralle GAYDLANG

(c) A Vietnamese (Annamese) vessel, somewhat resembling a Chinese junk. The Vietnamese word. "Gay-diang, a vessel of Anam, generally with two, but in fine weather with three masts, with lofty triangular sails." (c) A name given to a group of minerals, usually white or flesh-red in colour, occurring in crystals or in crystalline masses. They consist of a silicate of alumina with soda, potash, lime, etc. The corrupt spelling *felspar* was introduced by Kirwan on the ground of a supposed derivation from *fels*, and is still more

common than the correct form. "Granite is generally composed of feldspar, mica and quartz." GRISON (b) A carnivorous quadruped of South America. Galicis vittata, belonging to the family Mustelidae, and thus allied to the glutton and marten. From the French word for grey. Stedman. Surinam, 1796: "That animal mentioned by Mr Allemand, in the Count de

Buffon, which he there calls the grison or grey weazel. If this be the same animal (as I doubt not, and have therefore given it the name of the crabbo-dago or grison.)"

SOLUTION TO WINNING CHESS MOVE I QaS! and if I ... QxaS 2 Bxf6 is mate. I QbS and I QcS work equally well.

RAYOURS OF SCILY AND BOLOGNA

REAX AND RESIDER

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SPANISH WINES.

that company? Reality will be

Sunday. "They never saw me play. I watched them on television, so I knew how to play them. They did not have the same knowledge about me. But I am professional, I must play to win every match. and I know there are some beatings, some guys planning

the past fortnight. "It was

easier for me than for them." Kuerten said after his

straight-sets victory over Sergi

Bruguera in the final on

to do it, for my future." Nevertheless, what a memory, what an essence, he leaves behind. Gustavo Kuerten will not single-

handedly redirect a sport away from its programmed, dollar-driven circus. He is just a reminder to those who run the business that the essence of sport always was and always should be about the individual's ability to conquer the system. We have few

enough opportunities in life to do it, so sport, as performed by this sinewy, slightly irrev-erent 20-year-old from the beach resort of Florianopolis has to be our escape.

It is the natural, spontage ous behaviour that appeals. Rather than command the ball boys to fetch him a towel. he wipes the racket handle on his shirt tail. Rather than slug it out from the baseline with a conditioned former champion like Bruguera, he ends an exchange of world-class ground strokes by flat-batting the ball, making it spin and dip crazily over the net; skill. originality, and almost a sense that he had become impatient with orthodox

Cavalier Kuerten brings back

the memory of lost musketeers

Rob Hughes on the refreshing style of

the new French Open men's champion

What is further refreshing is that Kuerten appears not to be alone in striking out against the established order. The male champion of Roland Garros is Brazilian, the female. Iva Maioli, is Croatian. And if what was happening on the other courts is any guide to the future, tennis is again becoming a lingua franca of global interest. The girls' champion is Justine Henin, 15, from Belgium, and in the final she beat Cara Black, from Zimbabwe. Miss Black had a partner from



Kuerten: surprise package

fright by Italian

women's grass-court tourna-ment at Edgbaston yesterday.

of Italy, but took the next two sets 6-1, 6-2 to seal victory. Tamarine Tanasugarn, of Thailand, the No 13 seed, won 6-3, 7-5 against Meilen Tu. of

received byes into the second round. Last year's runner-up, Nathalie Tauziat, the No 2 seed, from France, will play Kristina Brandi, of the United

"In the beginning, pretty much everything centred Monica Seles has made a around it, the tennis. You know, your outlook on life is different after being around for a long time. Maybe the importance of it has

ho does she think she is fooling? When Steffi was eliminated, she seemed to lose more than a tennis match, she portrayed a sense of lost For what she has given. grace under pressure, I shall unashamedly root for Graf at

Wimbledon. But who will forget, or forgo the chance to see how Kuerten acclimatises? In Paris his gift was matched by a champion's spirit. He came not with the insolent self-belief of the Chilean. Marcelo Rios, not with the fragile physical stamina of Hicham Arazi, who gave us a magic hour or two, but prepared to run, to work for five sets, three hours. Beyond that. he brought back the feeling of the lost musketeers, the sensation that here was a player having a good time on court.

fields Steffi Graf has also

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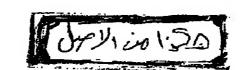
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Carping city folk merely bait countrymen

fancy turns to the great ourdoors, evidently unconcerned that most of us will be out of doors when programmes about the outdoors are on the television, indoors. In winter, when we could use a series about catching fish or living in the country, we get urban decay and drug traffickers.

Highway

Not that I can use a series about living in the country at any time of the year, but that has not inhibited Channel 4, whose two-parter, unimaginatively called The Good Life, ended last night. The best that can be said for this series is that it did not last long.

Television embarks on programmes about rural Britain as if tooling up for six months in the Amazon rainforest. You get the feeling that camera crews have been sent for a course of injections and are under instructions not to clean their teeth without first boiling the water. Sobbing memthem off from doorsteps, wondering if tribesmen still eat the organs

Not in rural Wales they don't. Nor was there much need to worry in any event, for The Good Life scarcely encountered a native. The preoccupation was with people from cities who had upped sticks and fled to the country. This is a tired, nay exhausted, subject, It may take guts to give up an urban life to make goats' cheese or run a country pub, but television documentary is dead on its feet if this is its best shot at enlightening us.

I am heartily fed up (not that you had guessed) with town and country being treated by television as two different planets. Although as I write this I look out upon a field of corn, the man who planted it is as much a businessman as Branson or Hanson and regards said field as a factory. In The Good Life, the two men who ran a pub amply demonstrated the folly of urban-rural divisions by working hard and watching their budgets much as people do everywhere.

There is, of course, much to be said for the countryside, mainly that its ratio of nature to people is in inverse proportion to that which applies in the city. All the other advantages (and disadvantages) flow from that simple truth. There is a documentary to be made about the extraordinary isolation of the countryside, its tendency to produce a siege mentality and its dislocation from cultural stimuli, but television has so far taken the easy option of following a furniture van from Streatham to

ural pursuits are another matter, especially when they are portrayed with the attention to detail that marks Tales from the Riverbank (BBC2). Last

REVIEW



Peter Barnard

night's contribution. Carp: The Fish of your Dreams, had sumptuous camera work and delicate sound recording, so that the plop of water and the click of reel ratchets conveyed themselves so convincingly that I kept having to check that my feet were still dry.

True, there is a thin line between angling and standing on a riverbank looking like an idiot. But fishers of carp are immensely

to be in pursuit of one of the cannier fish. Carp can grow to 50lb and live for at least 30 years. Catching the same carp over and over has reached the point where one legendary giant has even acquired a name, Herman.

And the baits! Forget worms. The carp is attracted to smells, but it is no good just pouring Chanel No 5 into the water. Chris Yates, a man who will sit under an umbrella all night to catch a carp, uses a mixture of stale bread, curry powder and ronen beer (meaning beer that has gone off, not keg bitter). Coriander, festering sweetcorn and old strawberries is another recipe carp men swear by, though Delia Smith would think it a terrible waste.

Of course, high tech has come to angling, in the shape of plastic bait bouts controlled by radio, I am not making this up. The little boats sail across the lake and at the point

angler presses a button and the bait is tossed over the side of the boat. Yates provided an eloquent comment on this absurdity by sinking a bait boat with a 12-bore

There are absurdities beyond the riverbank. What, for example, is the BBC playing at by dropping Mastermind? The last series began last night (BBCI), 25 years after the first one. The ratings may have dropped, the ratings indeed have dropped, but this is still a much watched and dramatic quiz, one of the very few which has managed to combine intelligence and popularity.

By dropping the word "alas" into his introductory statement that this would be the last series, Magnus Magnusson made his own feelings clear. Once under way, this was the familiar Mastermind of two rounds (specialist and iants and Magnusson's legendary

"I've started so I'll finish". Given the existence of that other low born of a catchphrase, They Think It's All Over, perhaps some commercial broadcaster will now aunch a quiz called I've Started So I'll Finish. Channel 5. are you listening? If it succeeded, it would

serve the BBC right.
The specialist subjects last night showed that Mastermind may be elderly, but it is far from stuffy. The eventual winner, Clare Ockwell, took questions on anorexia nervosa. Formula One motor racing was among the other subjects. This is inclusive television: we become caught up in it. straining for answers and choosing favourite contestants.

Masternind is among the few programmes one hears being discussed the next day, but not after this series. Why? I think I will pass

6,00am Business Breakfast (14279) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (96045) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (5862316) 9,20 Cheggers' Chattenge (3601300)

9.45 Kilroy (9235687) 10.30 Ready, Standy, Cook (42107) 11.00 News (T) and weather (2223749) 11.05 Real Rooms (7130749)

11.30 The Great Escape (8132) 12.00 News (T) and weather (1856774) 12.05pm Call My Bluff (5992478) 12.35 Neighbours (T) (4756294)

1.00 News (T) and weather (99132) 1.30 Regional News (15810565) 1.40 The Weather Show (36015584)

1.45 The Virginian Classic western (6517364) 3.00 International Tennis Sue Barker introduces further coverage of the second day of the Stella Artois Championships at Queen's Club in

London (6720) 4.00 Popeye (5181887) 4.10 Plasmo (6363381) 4.15 The New Yord Bear Show (6362652) 4.20 Julia Jekyll and Hamet Hyde (5536294) **4,35** Round the Twist (6114774) **5.00** Newsround (T) (8836687) **5.10** Activ-8 (T) (7586590)

5.35 Neighbours (r) (T) (136861) 6.00 News (T) and weather (213) 6.30 Regional News (565)

7.00 Summer Hollday New series presented by Jill Dando. A budget Mediterranean cruise; the Maldives and a 17th-century Shropshire Manor House Chris Choi investigates confusion over room charges (T) (3652)

7.30 EastEnders Lorraine takes Grant to task over his treatment of Joe (T) (749)

8.00 CHORE The Driving School Cameras capture tivee budding motorists as they embark on the long and rocky road to freedom (T) (2300) Only Fools and Horses Grand becomes convinced an old love-rival has come back to haunt him (r) (T) (8107)

9.00 News (T) and weather (1039) 9.30 The Jasper Carrott Trial (T) (73565)
WALES: 9.30 Week in Week Out (73565)
10.00 Crimewatch UK Appeal to catch a serial rapist and the perpetrators of an armed

robbery in Preston (259126) 10.45 The X Files: Duane Berry in the first of a negotiate with a deranged patient who takes a psychologist and three other patients hostage. Concludes tomorrow (308126) WALES: 10.45 The Jasper Carrott Trial (711565) 11.15 The X Files (355294) 12.00 Film 97 (78546) 12.30em Crimewatch UK Update (9617782) 12.40 FILM: Saving Grace (279459) 2.30 News 11.30 Film 97 with Barry Norman Barry reviews The Associate and The Devil's Own. Plus: a look ahead to The Lost World, Spielberg's sequel to Jurassic

12.00 Crimewatch UK Update (3085188) 12.10am Saving Grace (1986) Comedy, with Tom Conti. A newly elected Pope sneaks out of the Valican in disguise to discover how ordinary people five. Directed by Robert M. Young (284121)

VideoPlus+ and the Video PlusCodes The numbers next to each TV programme listing are Video PlusCode "numbers, which allow you to programme your video recorder instantly with a VideoPlus+" handset, Tap In the Video PlusCode for the programme you wish to record. Videoplus+ ("), Pluscode of Gemstar Development Ltd. 6.00am Open University: Soville the Edge of Empire (3387126) **6.25** Citizens of the World (1) (3462861) **6.50** The Great Exhibition, (7463590) **7.15** See

7.30 Teenage Mutant Hero Turtles (r) (11) (6924565) 7.55 Blue Peter (r) (7) (2116126) 8.20 Juniper Jungle (r) (7960313) 8.35 The Record (2766942) 9.00 Teaching Today (44565) 9.30 Space Ark (4283039) 9.45 Watch (4271294) 10.00 Telelubbies (r) (85497) 10.30 Come Outside (4148213) 10.45 Science

Hear Breakfast News (T) (1009671)

Zone (9032749) 11.05 Space Ark (2237942) 11.15 Go for it! (1387687) 11.30 Job Bank (6913213) 12.00 See Heart (r) (T) (37229) 12.30pm Working Lunch (84671) 1.00 Teaching Today (97774) 1.30 Job Bank

(15818107) 1.40 Zig Zag (17953720) 2.00 Juniper Jungle (83607294) 2.10 International Tennis Coverage of the

Championships al Queen's Club in 3.00 News (T) and weether (3928126) 3.05 Westminster (4806836) 3.55 News (T) and weather (3192565)

4.00 International Tannis from Queen's Club 5.00 Westminster The first round of the Conservative leadership battle (T) (8215)

6.00 international Tennis Coverage from Queen's Club (4205313) 7.10 The O Zone with Jayne Middlemiss and Jamie Theakston (520132)

7.30 Home Ground Former IRA mole Martin McGartland returns to Northern Ireland

8.00 Cricket: Benson and Hedges Cup Semi-final highlights (2687)

9.00 Murder One Judge Agajanian comes to a decision about the suppressed evidence in the Street Sweeper serial killer case. Last in series (3010) 10.28 Video Nation Shorts (291519)

10.30 Newsnight (T) (301213)



Paul and his parents (11.15pm)

11.15 Trouble with Boys (1/3) The problems facing couples whose adolescent sons develop antisocial behaviour (709720)

Picture House Canadian director Atom Egoyan's ikm about Arshile Gorky's painting A Portrait of the Artist with his Mother, followed by Ann Turner's visually vibrant celebration of Australian artist Jeffrey Smart (641768) 12.00 The Midnight Hour (76188) 12.30am Learning Zone: O U: A Language

for Movement (13121) 1.00 Statistical Sciences (10695) 1.30 Flight Simulators and Robots (59072) 2.00 Teaching Today (65463) 4.00 Teaching and Learning with IT (79411) 4.30 Film Education (31188) 5.00 Inside Europe (77492) 5.30 Film Education (77817)

6.00am GMTV (9634403)

9.25 Supermarket Sweep (r) (T) (3799519) 9.55 Regional News (T) (4303652) 10.00 The Time, the Place (72923) 10.30 This Morning (T) (65820132)

12.20pm Regional News (T) (1852958)

12.30 News (T) and weather (4855519) 12.84 HTV Crimestopppers (19000107) 12.55 Shortland Street (4750010) 1.25 Home and Away (T) (90953381) 1.50 Alternoon Live (31324836) 2.20 Vanassa (r) (T) (26824768) 2.50 Alternoon Live

3.20 News (T) (3008316)

3.30 Potamus Park (r) (38187741 3.40 Wizadora (r) (8691855) 3.50 Old Bear Stones (8697039) 4.00 Scooby Doo (r) (7896215) 4.10 The Twisted Tales of Felix the Cat (T) (1486279) 4.20 Waynehead

4.45 Totaliy California Teanage tilestyles in and around Los Angeles (T) (6032126) 5.10 Yan Can Cook: The Best of China

5.40 News (T) and weather (213039) 5.57 Pollen Count (877132)

6.00 Home and Away (r) (T) (856756) 6.25 HTV Weather (826395) 6.30 The West Tonight (1) (861) 7.00 Emmerdale Viv and Sarah quarrel in the

post office (T) (8720) 7.30 Take 3 Reports from around the region on lopical issues (395). 8.00 The Bill A professional difference of opinion arises between Skase and Croft

8.30 The Cook Report Roger Cook uncovers



High society belies (9.00pm)

9.00 CHOICE Class: Upperclass in the first of three programmes "Sloanes" boast of their extravagan litestyles. With contributions from Tara Palmer-Tomkinson, Tamara Beckwith, Radcliffe Royds and Henry Deni-Brocklehurst (T) (3749)

10.00 News (T) and weather (52584) 10.30 Regional News (T) (792671) 10.39 Pollen Count (149045) 10.40 The International Match: Tournol de

France. Brazil v England Highlights of England's linel match of the tournament with commentary by Clive Tyldesley and Ron Alkinson (956132) 11.40 New York News Pilot episode of a comedy-drama about a an American newspaper, with Mary Tyler moore and Maedline Kahn (719478)

12.40am Dating the Enemy (9237782) 1.45 Late and Loud (476188) 2.45 The Chart Show (r) (6303072) 3.40 Customs Classified (r) (8071695) 1.30 The Time, the Place (r) (28614) 5.00 Helrloom (r) (95166) SATISTURE AND GARDS

As HTV West except: 12.55pm-1.25 A Country Practice (4750010) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (8650584)

7.30-8.00 24 Hours (395) 11.40 Highlander (719478)

5.20 Asian Eye (4456053)

12.40am Movie Club (8396166) 1.10 Film: Something to Hide (538140) 2.55 in Focus (3748817) 3.40 The Big Match Replayed (8729701)

WESTCOUNTRY

4.20 Central Jobfinder '97 (8477427)

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11.40 Highlander (719478)

5.10pm-5.40 Home and Away (8650584) 6.00 Meridian Tonight (381) 6.30-7.00 The Antiques Trail (861) 7.30-8.00 Serve You Right Live (395) 11.40 Prisoner: Cell Block H (719478) 5.00am Freescreen (95166)

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As HTV West except: 12.55-1.25 A Country Practice (4750010) 5.10-5.40 Shortland Street (8650584) 6.23 Anglia Weather (476854) 7.30-8.00 Heirloom (395) 11.40 Charlie Grace (719478)

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1.15 Pingu (10459010) 1.30 Film: Captain Boycott (45612045) 3.15 Lemming Aid (1155565) 3.30 Collectors' Lot (869)

4.00 Fifteen-to-One (774) 4.30 All at See (958) 5.00 5 Pump (6126) 5.30 Countdown (710)

9.00 Bewitched (35861)

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7.25 Tu Hwnt I'r Deall (436010) 8.00 Carrif O Gan (5010) 8.30 Newyddion (7045)

9.00 The Good Life (7519) 10.00 Brookside (797316) 10.35 Dark Skies (861010)

11.30 Northern Exposure (32039) 12.30am The Death of Childhood (57701) 1.30 Diwedd (727237) 4.00 Ysgolion (7028508)

6.00am Sesame Street (r) (91687) 7.00 The Big Breaklast (16855) 9.00 Bewitched (r)

9.30 Schools: Eurekai (4278107) 9.45 Stop, Look, Listen (4362590) 10.00 Fourways Farm (2646923) 10.10 The Jacobites (1995010) 10.30 The Enterprize Zone (31045) 11.00 Science in Focus (5376126) 11.20 Stage One (1280720) 11.37 Lost Animals (4564403) 11.45 Scotscapes (4569958)

12.00 House to House (59497) 12.30pm Light Lunch (5542132) 1.50 That Lady in Ermine (1948) A romanic musical with Belty Grable and Douglas Farbanks Jr. Directed by Ernst Lubitsch

and Otto Preminger (T) (49043836) 3.30 Collectors' Lot (T) (869) 4.00 Filteen-to-One (T) (774) 4.30 Countdown (T) (6035213) 4.55 Ricki Lake (T) (5210381)

5.30 Arimal Passions (710) 6.00 Friends Chandler agonises over a wonderful woman who does not call him

after their first date (r) (T) (656738) 6.25 Hollycaks Teen scap (T) (701887) 6.55 Fresh Pop (919497)

7.00 Channel 4 News (T) (908132) 7.50 Sonnets in the City (T) (860942)



Terry and his winning horse (8.00pm)

8.00 Moving People John Peel presents three more lamilies who are moving home. Tonight, a disabled divorcee and her daughters try to find a new home before their house is repossessed, a gay couple move from Leeds to Brighton and Terry Ford, a widower moves into a cottage with a kitchen paid for by his successful

8.30 Brookside Max has a contession for

Susannah (T) (7045) 9.00 The Death of Childhood: Listen to the Children The last in the series asks if legal reforms in the early 1990s have left children better protected (1) (7519)

10.00 Hearts and Minds Drama serial about the staff of an inner-city school (3/4) (r) (T) (7102652) 11.05 Trauma Real-life dramas from the

Emergency Room of a Philadelphia hospital (3/13) (410565) 11.25 Film Night presented by Janice Forsyth (440316)

12.10am Until the End of the World (1990) A round-the-world road movie with Solveig Dommartin and Sam Nelli. Directed by Wim Wenders (41848879) 3.00 Piccadilly Circus by Night The story of a London-based au pair (r) (44645072)

3.25 The Observer An Austrian author experiences writer's block in Zanzibar (r) (6940904) 4.00 Schools (7028508) 4.50 The Talking Show A series dedicated to

lalking (1/6) (i) (81076459) 5.15 Backdate (r) (T) (38072)

CHANNEL 5 ON SATELLITE

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6.00am 5 News Early (6400841)

7.30 Havakazoo (3418039) 8.00 Adventures of the Bush Patrol (8627039) 8.30 WideWorld The hunting lodge at Fontainbleau (8619010)

9.00 Espresso (5844346) 10.00 Exclusive (r) (1513107) 10.30 Hot Property in (B702774) 11.00 Leeza (1843942) 11.50 Double Espresso

(47092949) 12.00 The Bold and the auliful (T) (8620126) 12.30pm Family Altars (r) (T) (7119887) 1.00 5 News Update (52951045) 1.05 Sunsei

Beach (T) (9787381) 2,00 5's Company 3.30 The French Line (1954) with Jane FILM Russell, Gilbert Roland and Arthur Hunnicutt. Romantic musical comedy money stops her finding true love.

Directed by Lloyd Bacon (8008213) 5.25 5's Company — Late Extra (99814213) 5.30 100 Per Cent (7278861)

6.00 Whittle (1) (7275774) 6.30 Family Affairs Melanie seeks Holly's legal advice and Pete resorts to more blackmari (T) (7193126)

7.00 Exclusive Showbiz news (6322861) 7.30 Land of the Llor: The Long, the Short and the Tall A look at the many different creatures that appear to live in harmony in African woodlands (T) (7182010)



Linda Grav at home in LA (8.00pm)

played Sue Ellen in Dallas, talks about how her life changed after she left the

show (8235381) 8.30 5 News (T) (6327316)

9.00 Politergelst: The Legacy The society investigate what looks to be a clear case of child abuse With Derek de Lint and Helen Shaver (2225045)

9.50 Poltergeist: The Legacy The case of a town that only exists for three days every 50 years (T) (9985478) 10.45 The Jack Docherty Show Late-night chat and comedy (4041738)

11.30 The Comedy Store Includes performances from Ed Byrne, Bill Bailey and Curis Walker (1615519) 12.00 Live and Dangerous Sports magazine hosted by Dominik Diamond, Featuring IndyCar racing from Detroit at 2.00ai (42786508)

4.40am Prisoner: Cell Block H (3406188) 5.30 100 Per Cent (r) (8894661)

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8.00em Morring Glory (122855) 9.00 Regis and kathe Lee (65720) 10.00 Another World (57126) 11.00 Days of Our Lives (33990) 12.00 The Oprah Winkley Show 10010) 1.00pm Geraldo (59918) 2.00 Sally lessy Raphael (46918) 2.00 Jerny Jonas (3698) 4.00 The Oprah Winkley Show (28519) 5.00 Star Teek The Next Generation (200 General Winkley Show 285:19; \$,00 Star Teck. The Next Generation 7497) 6,00 Real TV (6887) 6,30 Manued—in Chicken (4039) 7,00 The Simpsons 3135 7,30 M*A*S*H (3823) 8,00 Speedl 864) 8,30 Real TV (10,6881) 9,00 Natural 48asters (55107) 10,00 The Practice, 8234) 11,00 Star Trek The Next Generation (58855) 12,00 The Lucy Show (26530) 2,30am LAP.D. (36091) 1,00 Hz Mix 688131 5481211

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CY MOVIES Own The Black Stellion Returns 53) (9835) 8.00 Little Big Langue 94) (17010) 10.00 Jules Verne's 800 gues Down the Amazon (1994) M51 11.30 Silver Bears (1978) (83213) Jpm Spenser: The Judas Goot (1994) 7.41 3.00 Grizzly Mountels (1993) 7.71 5.00 The Black Stellion Returns 13) (67294) 7.00 Little Big Langue 44) (54039) 9.00 French Kies (1995) 561 11.00 One Tough Bastard (1995)

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7,00am Sports Centre (87381) 7.30 Watersports World (19590) 8.30 Racing News (36911) 9.00 Sports Centre (98323) 9.30 Aerobios (34213) 19.00 Women's Golf 9.30 Aerobios (34213) 19.00 Women's Goll (95300) 11.00 Live B&H Cup Crickel (1815382) 3.00pm Aussie Rules (77749) 5.00 World Pool Masterr (6571) 6.00 Sports Contre (4861) 6.30 Grand Pre Salling (2213) 7.00 Live Football Tourno, de Franco (960942) 10.00 Sports Centre (82316)**10.30 Golf (62558) 11.30 Sports Centre (49667) 12.00 Football: Tournol de France (86188) 1.00em Daris (39091) 2.30-3.00 Sports Centre (28324) SKY SPORTS 3

12.00 Golf (77598774) 1.00pm Super League: World Club Championship (67164213) 2.30 Grend Prix Saling (41978107) 3.00 Live Benson and Hedges Cup Cnoket (55375294) 8.30-11.30 Wres-tling, King of the Ring (70074652) EUROSPORT

7.30em Motorsport: Speedworld Magazine (28294) 9.00 Footbal: Tournai De France Highlights (42720) 11.00 Football: World Cup Qualitying Rounds (11010) 1.00pm

Supersport (28652) 2.00 Live Tenns (22749) 5.00 Tenns (47923) 6.30 Live Athletes (54590) 8.30 Boxing (8923) 2.00 Footbel (78584) 10.30 Terms (86132) 4.00 Footbel (78584) 10.30 Terms (86132) 4.00 Footbel (78584) 10.30 Terms UK GOLD

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Hoddle confident his team can exploit Brazil's defensive frailty at Parc des Princes

England ready to dethrone sun kings

"Ronaldo is strong and pacy, with a great first touch," Shearer said yesterday, "and

he can bear three or four

players from the halfway line.

spent a little bit of time with

him at an awards ceremony

recently and he came across as

very level-headed and down to

"Because we are both high-

profile players, I am sure comparisons will be made

might think he is better than

me, some might think I am better than him. That is up to

them. As far as his transfer

goes, I don't want it to happen

because I love the tag of being

the most expensive player in

the world. It is a great honour

Hoddle would not be drawn

nto a discussion on the relative merits of the two players but he did exude a confidence

in his team's prospects rare in an England coach about to send his team out against

Brazil. He was disparaging about his opponents' defensive abilities and bullishly optimis-

tic about England's chances of exploiting their failings. "It will be interesting to see

if we can defend against the

best attacking force in the world," Hoddle said. "But,

equally, we have to target their

Achilles' heel, which is their

defence. Their natural instinct

is not defending.
"That is partly because they

have the ball for 75 per cent of

the game and they keep it so

well. They are only happy

when they have got the ball

and even their defenders want

to caress it. It is the 'beautiful

game' thing, although they

have changed a bit with the

addition of players like Dunga

and Mauro Silva, harder

players. "Our defence has kept a few

clean-sheets but this is the ultimate test. The Italians

defended superbly for half an

hour on Sunday but Brazil still

had enough elusiveness to

calibre, but Brazil will be the

best benchmark of all for us."

and I don't want to lose it."

FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

THE England squad trained at a hill-top camp overlooking the Palace of Versailles yesterday: tonight they will meet the sun kings. After the glorious successes of the past formight, both in Poland and here in the Tournoi de France, only Brazil. the world champions, the masters of football, now stand between Glenn Hoddle's team and a summer of unfettered

optimism. Hoddle's players, brimming with confidence, all know how important this match against Brazil is. Although they have already won this tournament. although their final game should be the most meaningless of friendlies, it has come at a pivotal time in the England revival that has taken hold since the defeat by Italy at Wembley in February.

Notwithstanding the vic-tories over Italy and France in the past six days. Brazil and their embarrassment of exotic playing riches will provide England with the ultimate gauge of their progress in the Pare des Princes tonight, the best indication so far of whether there is real hope that they cannot only qualify for the World Cup next year but move towards the later stages, too.

From Roberto Carlos, with his outrageous free kicks, to Ronaldo, with his frightening pace, to Denilson, the new dribbling sensation, who kept Juninho out of this squad. there is copious talent in their ranks. Hoddle said vesterday they could pick 11 separate Brazil teams and any one of them would challenge for the World Cup.

Sol Campbell, the Tottenham Hotspur defender, who has been one of England's most impressive players in this tournament, put it best. People ask me whether I am looking forward to finding out how good Ronaldo is." he said. But I don't look at it like that. I want to find out how good I

The name of Ronaldo, of course, was on everyone's lips here yesterday. The young. prodigiously gifted centre forward has become a byword not only for rapier-like attack-

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Shearer hopes to maintain his excellent strike-rate

ing excellence but also for the game's financial excess. Within the month, it is said, he will have moved from Barcelona to Internazionale in a package that will cost the Italian club almost £50 million and make him, rather than Alan Shearer, the most expensive player in the world.

The young Brazilian is not as complete a centre forward as Shearer, not as good in the air, not as strong in the challenge. But he does have explosive pace, ball control that almost defies belief and an ability and willingness to run at defences from the halfway line.

This season, he smashed a decades old Barcelona record with 34 goals. He has scored 14 times for Brazil in only 20 Shearer's tally of 16 goals in 34 games for England. Eleven of the Newcastle United striker's

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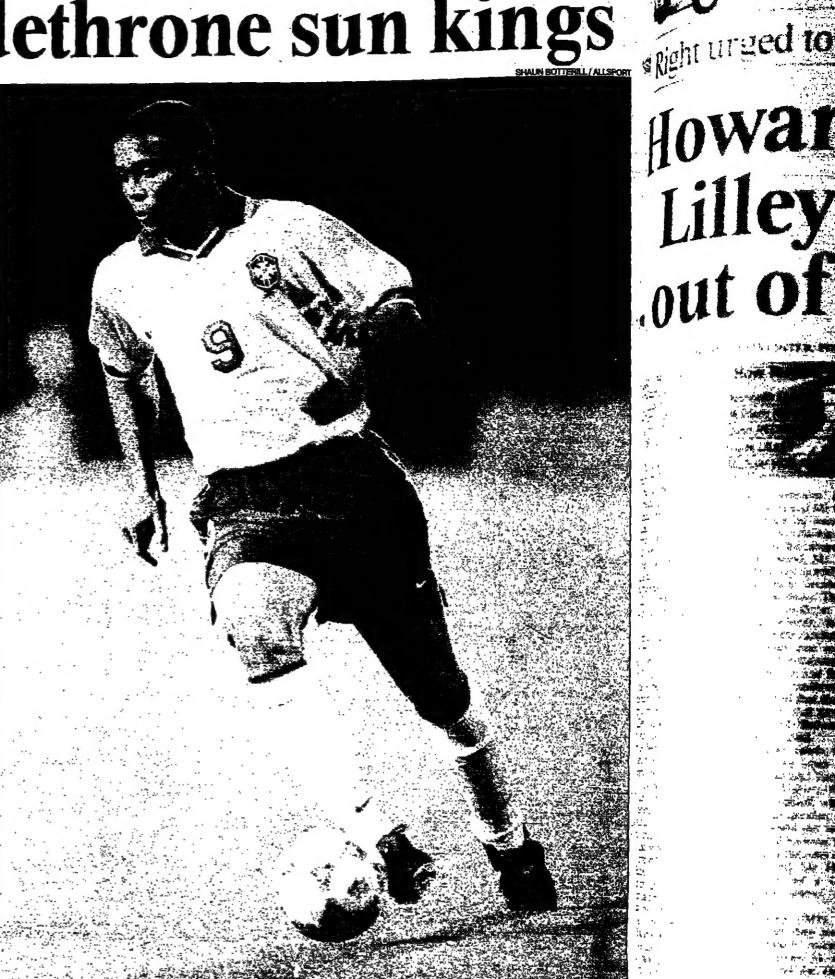
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open them up in the end. We have got a good strong unit but you are never safe against them. They come at you from every angle. We have got an inner belief now that we can go out there and take anybody on. These teams we have been playing in France are teams that are going to be looking at making the World Cup semi-finals next summer. That is their



The England defence will have to cope with Ronaldo's exceptional pace and control in Paris tonight

MORSE

United set up foreign aid package

MARTIN EDWARDS, the Manchester United chairman. expects to hold a press conference this afternoon to unveil one, possibly two, new

signings. Markus Babbel, the Germany defender, has agreed to join the club and Edwards is confident that Brian Laudrup will swiftly follow his example.

Maurice Watkins, the United legal director, flew to Munich yesterday to conduct negotiations with Babbel, 24, a central defender who has already won close on 20 caps for

The player indicated last night that he is ready to accept a five-year deal and Bayern Munich. his club, have agreed a fee of £5 million.

The pursuit of Laudrup is Edwards would only say proving slightly less straight-forward. He. too, has held talks with United officials and suggested over the weekend that he favours the Manchester club over Arsenal and Ajax, both of whom have offered £5 million for the

Quinnell forced out of Lions tour

World Cup latest

player to Rangers.

ceeding slowly. Laudrup has been on international duty with Denmark and will travel to Jersey today to speak for the first time to David Murray. his chairman at Rangers. about his proposed destination after turning down an improved contract from the Glassow club.

yesterday that he has spoken to both players and, if they quickly. He could not confirm. however, that Laudrup will be signed in time to allow a double announcement this afternoon.

Alex Ferguson, the United manager, left on his summer holiday only after convincing himself that both transfers would be completed. Babbel, he said, will be an asset in Europe, where his man-marking skills could be utilised. "He has those German qualities, strong, organised, committed and disciplined,*

Ferguson said.
The manager also remained confident that Laudrup will sign, despite suggestions in the Danish media linking the 28-year-old with Ajax.

mer Southampton manager, has agreed to join Torino as their new coach. The Serie B side, who were relegated this season, are looking to Souness to begin a rebuilding programme that is intended to establish them back in the top

flight in Italy.
Arsenal officials yesterday dismissed suggestions that they have lost out in the race for Marc Overmars, the Ajax winger. It was reported that the London club has lost an option on the player's services, but a spokesman said yesterday that they were still involved in talks with the Holland international.

Sergio Porrini, the Juventus defender, is to join Rangers on a four-year contract, sources at the Italian league champi-

der Berg, his second-row col-league, was fined £750, of

which around £400 is sus-

pended until December de-

pendent upon his subsequent behaviour.

bringing the game into

disrepute, thus contravening

their playing contracts. How-ever, Hennie Erasmus, the

Mpumalanga RU president,

claimed that no suspensions

could be imposed, and they

will be free to continue

that he is to consider taking

legal action against Bosman.

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FROM DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

IN PRETORIA SCOTT QUINNELL, the

Wales No 8. yesterday joined the melancholy procession bound for home from the British Isles tour of South Africa. Quinnell becomes the third player forced by injury to leave the Lions during their stay here, after Paul Grayson and Doddie Weir. His replacement — who could be his Richmond colleague, Ben Clarke - is expected to be confirmed today.

After a forceful game against an Eastern Province invitation XV. Quinnell had to work harder, as did all his colleagues, during the defeat by Northern Transvaal on Saturday, but he remained in contention for an international place. However, a groin

injury resurfaced at the weekend and an orthopaedic surgeon confirmed that a lengthy period of recovery would be required.

Quinnell. 24, is suffering from inflammation of the muscle attachment to the groin. He was troubled by the same injury early this year. but it appeared to have cleared up. His departure will deprive the Lions of a forward of pace and power, although Fran Cotton, the manager, was philosophical. "The average number of replacements on a Lions tour is six," Cutton said, "and it's a fact of life. We have a very intensive programme and injuries must be

expected." Cotton declined to comment on the fines imposed last night by the Moumalanga Rugby Union on the two players whose indisciplined

play so incensed the Lions in Witbank last Wednesday. Marius Bosman, the lock whose kick caused such severe ligament damage that it ended Weir's tour, was fined nearly £1,500 by the Mpumalanga disciplinary nmittee and Elandre van

Weir: legal action

it the only way he knows," Weir said. "Men like him shouldn't be allowed to play." Catt's chance, page 49

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